WEATHER.

Fair with slowly rising temperature Tuesday; Wednesday fair, warmer.

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GERMANY'S OFFER TO DISCUSS DIFFERENCES IS FLATLY REJECTED

Nothing Doing While Ruthless Submarine Campaign is in Progress, Says Lansing.

REMINDED OF SUSSEX NOTE

No Discussion With Imperial Government Unless and Until Assurances Are Renewed.

SWISS MINISTER MEDIUM

Ritter's Memorandum and Reply Thereto Made Public.

Washington, Feb. 12. — The United States has flatly rejected Germany's offer to discuss differences between the two nations while the ruthless submarine campaign is in progress.

In a note today to the Swiss minister, who on Saturday presented orally the German proposal, Secretary Lansing said the United States "does not feel that it can enter into any discussion with the German government concerning the policy of submarine warfare against neutrals which it is now pursuing, unless and until the German government renews its assurances of the fourth of May (the Sussex note) and acts upon the assurances."

Notes Made Public.

The State Department made public the Secretary's reply, together with a memorandum which at Mr. Lansing's suggestion Dr. Ritter, the Swiss minister, had prepared last night, setting down in writing the suggestion originally transmitted orally. Previously officials had declined to confirm the announcement by the Associated Press Saturday afternoon that such a proposal had been delivered by Dr. Ritter.

Germany's Offer to Negotiate.

The State Department's announcement follows:

"In view of the appearance in the newspapers of February 11 of a report that Germany was initiating negotiations with the United States in regard to submarine warfare, the Department of State makes the following statement:

"A suggestion was made orally to the Department of State late Saturday afternoon by the minister of Switzerland that the German government is willing to negotiate with the United States, provided that the commercial blockade against England would not be interfered with. At the request of the Secretary of State, this suggestion was made in writing and presented to him by the Swiss minister Sunday night.

"The communication is as follows:

"'Memorandum:

"'The Swiss government has been requested by the German government to say that the latter is now, as before, willing to negotiate, formally or informally, with the United States, provided that the commercial blockade against England will not be broken thereby.

(Signed) "'P. RITTER.'

The United States' Reply.

"This memorandum was given immediate consideration, and the following reply was dispatched today:

"'My dear Mr. Minister:

"'I am requested by the President to say to you, in acknowledging the memorandum which you were kind enough to send to me on the 11th inst., that the government of the United States would gladly discuss with the German government any questions it might propose for discussion were it to withdraw its proclamation of the 31st of January, in which, suddenly and without previous intimation of any kind, it cancelled the assurances which it had given this government on the fourth of May last; but that it does not feel that it can enter into any discussion with the German government concerning the policy of submarine warfare against neutrals which it is now pursuing unless and until the German government renews its assurances of the fourth of May and acts upon the assurances.'

"No other interchange on this subject has taken place between this government and any other government or person."

"Utterly Insincere!"

In view of the fact that the United States has taken the most vigorous course possible short of war to denounce the ruthless submarine warfare, officials of the government regard the German proposal to negotiate while the campaign is in progress as utterly insincere. From the first the move has been looked upon and resented as a piece of propaganda designed to becloud the issue and put the United States into a false position of belligerency.

The question of whether navy guns shall be provided for American shipowners desiring to arm their vessels for defense against submarines has been submitted to President Wilson.

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GERMANY SUBMITS TREATY PROPOSAL

Many Clauses Added Would Extend the Provision of Old Prussian-American Paper.

IS ALMOST A NEW TREATY

Special Provision as to Merchantmen Interned in Ports at Outbreak of War—Proposes to Re-Affirm Treaty.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Germany's proposal for a re-affirmation of the old Prussian-American treaties of 1799 and 1828, with a long list of added clauses to modernize and extend provisions relating to the treatment of enemy residents in case of war, has been transmitted formally to the State Department by Dr. Paul Ritter, the Swiss minister here.

This is the proposition former Ambassador Gerard refused to consider when the German foreign office, after the United States had broken relations, sent it to him in the form of a protocol with the intimation that if he did not attach his signatures Americans in Germany might be held as hostages to insure good treatment of Germans in this country.

The document, submitted in French, is being translated. Officials familiar in a general way with its nature said today it apparently was so different from the original treaties that it virtually constituted a new one, and strong doubt was expressed that the United States would enter into negotiations on the subject.

Most important among the new provisions suggested by Germany is one extending the exemption from seizure in case of war between the two countries of "merchants and their effects" into an exemption specifically mentioning enemy ships which are in port at the time of the outbreak of war and which either must be left free in port or given safe conduct to their own ports, presumably even in face of a blockade conducted by hostile governments. Also sections are added forbidding internment or restrictions upon the liberty or freedom of movement of enemy nations, and reaffirming the old provisions allowing merchants nine months to close up their businesses, and guaranteeing the inviolability of patents.

FOUR BRITISH AND ONE GREEK STEAMER SUNK

Washington, February 12. — Four British steamers and one Greek steamer are reported to have been sunk within the last 24 hours, their aggregate tonnage being 8,361. The British vessels were the Netherlee, 4,227 tons; Lycia, 2,715 tons; Voltaire, 409 tons, and the Olivia, 242 tons. The Greek steamer was the Aghios Spyrion, 768 tons.

72 AMERICAN SAILORS ARE HELD PRISONER BY GERMANY

Formal Notification Accompanied by Inquiry as to Status of Crews of War-Bound German Ships in American Harbors — Wholly Unexpected Development Amazing to Our Government.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Formal notification of the retention in Germany of the 72 sailors brought in as prisoners on the prize ship Yarrowdale was given to the State Department today by Dr. Paul Ritter, Swiss minister here, acting for the German government, together with an inquiry as to the status of the crews of the German war-bound ships in American harbors.

Germany, Dr. Ritter said, had decided to hold the Yarrowdale prisoners until she had had definite assurance that German crews in American harbors would not be held or imprisoned.

This development, wholly unexpected, was amazing to the American government. Officials here had come to the conclusion that the early reports which misled the German government as to the treatment of German crews here had been effectively dispelled by the forwarding of complete details.

A query was at once cabled to the governor of Hawaii, the only section where German ships are war-bound where all the conditions are not known. There is not the least thought that any variation will be found there in the uniformly courteous treatment accorded German vessels.

Eventual release of the Yarrowdale prisoners is regarded as assured, but an urgent protest against the re-imprisonment will be made at once.

GERARD CHARACTERIZES THE ATTEMPT AS "SAND BAGGING"

Copenhagen (via London), Feb. 13. — The attempt of the German government to negotiate through James W. Gerard, who had retired as ambassador to Germany, desired concessions and pledges, was of a nature to lead Mr. Gerard to characterize it in conversations with a foreign office representative as "sandbagging," and to refuse to even transmit the text of the concessions desired, unless he was allowed to report in code—a privilege of which he had been deprived since the rupture of relations.

Incidentally, the same embargo on embassy communications was extended afterwards to telegraphing in open language within the empire, in an attempt to convey instructions to American consuls; then to long distance telephones used for the same purpose, and finally to letters of the embassy to the local Berlin telephone service and even to the use by the personnel of local telephones at nearby hotels. It is fair to state, however, that as soon as the latter restrictions were brought to the attention of Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, the foreign minister, he declared that they were due to a mistake of some over-zealous minor official and the local telephone communications to the embassy were immediately restored and the embargo within the empire was lifted, so far as it did not apply to official communications.

HEARD IN WASHINGTON WITH PROFOUND REGRET

Washington, Feb. 12. — The expulsion by the German military authorities of the American Commission for Relief in Belgium and northern France, after its two and a half years of devoted service during which the greatest and most sustained relief work in history was built up, was officially reported to the

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HOUSE OF COMMONS IS OCCUPIED WITH FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Two New Votes of Credit Aggregating 550,000,000 Pounds Sterling Are Introduced.

LAW AND M'KENNA SPEAK

Money Wanted to Cover Expenses to End of Fiscal Year March 31 and Start New Year.

London, February 12. — The house of commons will be occupied this week with financial affairs. The feature of today's programme was the introduction of two new votes of credit aggregating 550,000,000 pounds sterling—one for 200,000,000 pounds to cover expenses to March 31, the end of the present financial year, and the other for 350,000,000 pounds sterling, to start the next fiscal year.

The chief speakers today were A. Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, who reviewed the financial position of the nation, and Reginald McKenna, who was called on to support the motion as chancellor of the exchequer of the Asquith government.

"We have a superiority not only in men, but in equipment," said Mr. Law. He asserted that the increase in the production of munitions was going on all the time, being as marked now as at any previous period. The smallest increase in any kind of shell, as compared with the average of the first year of war, was 28 times that output.

Advances to Her Allies.

In making advances to her allies, the chancellor continued, Great Britain considered one thing only—whether it would be in the general interest. He emphasized the principle of co-ordinating in every field and said the conference at Rome had resulted in a decision in regard to the policy to be adopted toward Greece, which policy was now being followed. The object of that policy, said the chancellor, was to prevent the Entente forces from being attacked from the rear in the event of a German-Bulgarian invasion. The Entente commanders, he added, now are satisfied that the danger from that quarter is much less than it was a few weeks ago.

In giving the progressive increases in the daily expenditure for the five periods of the war, corresponding with the five votes of credit, Mr. Bonar Law explained that the daily expenditure in the last 63 days was 5,790,000 pounds. This increase, he said, was not due to recent advances to the allies and Great Britain's dominions, for the dominions were now beginning largely to finance themselves, but to the cost of munitions and to the increased cost of food, amounting to 190,000 pounds daily.

The National Debt.

In announcing that at the end of the current year the national debt would stand at between 3,800,000,000 and 3,900,000,000 pounds, and that the advances to Great Britain's allies and dominions would be approximately 390,000,000 pounds, Mr. Bonar Law asked whether the Entente would be able to bear the burden of bringing the war to a successful conclusion. He said he had every confidence in the future and believed that the new loan of 550,000,000 pounds would be a success.

MEXICO PROPOSES A JOINT EFFORT TO END EUROPEAN WAR

Carranza Sends Identic Note to All Neutrals, Proposing Embargo on All War Supplies.

IF PEACE EFFORTS FAIL

Received in Washington With Both Amusement and Gravity; German Influence Suspected

Washington, Feb. 12.—Revolution-swept Mexico's defacto government entered the lists as an international peace-maker today. With an identic note to all neutrals, it proposed a joint effort to end the European war, to be followed, in the event of failure, by t. cutting off of all exports of munitions and supplies to belligerents.

The communication was handed to the State Department by R. P. De Negri, charge of the Carranza embassy here. It was received with expressions of mingled amusement and gravity in official quarters. There had been no decision tonight as to the American government's response, but the prevailing opinion was that Secretary Lansing would reply promptly and briefly, referring to the futile effort of President Wilson to bring about peace, and pointing out that under existing conditions an embargo on exports would be a breach of neutrality.

German Influence?

Among Entente diplomats Carranza's action was denounced as another evidence of German influence in Mexico, and as a further effort to beclo.d the issue and embarrass the United States in the situation resulting from Germany's new submarine campaign. Officials of the government were not so outspoken in voicing their opinions, but those who commented informally frankly expressed the same view.

It became known tonight that a proposal similar to the one now brought forward officially was made at one of the closing sessions of the Mexican-American joint commission which recently attempted to solve border difficulties. Luis Cabrera, minister of finance in Carranza's cabinet and head of the Mexican commissioners, suggested to the Americans that he had hoped the commission not only would settle disputes between the United States and Mexico, but might bring peace to the world. An embargo on exports was his plan.

Mexico's exports to Europe are considerable and of vast importance to the Entente allies. Enormous quantities of oil for the British fleet are drawn from

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BELGIANS FORCED TO AID GERMAN ARMIES?

Forced to Do Military Work at the Front, Says Government.

Laborers Arrested in Streets and Taken From Present Employers and Carried to the Ypres Region, Is Charge

Havre, Feb. 12.—The Belgian government says it has learned that laborers a Bruges are being arrested in the streets by Germans and immediately sent to the German front along the Yser, where they are forced to do military work, such as putting up barb wire fences and digging trenches. It is asserted that 75 per cent. of the men who were compelled to present themselves to the military authorities have been taken for work.

These men are between the ages of 15 and 45. They leave their homes Monday and return Saturday. On their arrival home they are declared to be greatly depressed because of insufficient nourishment, which consists of a quarter of a loaf of war bread in the morning and fruit soup made of apples and prunes at noon. This is said to be all the men receive.

The Belgian government affirms that, contrary to what the Germans say, the Germans are systematically taking men who are not idle. At a large steel mill laborers earning from 7 to 9 francs a day have been compelled to quit their jobs and work for the Germans. The same is declared to be true of horticultural workers. A diamond cutter who paid his employes nine francs a day saw them all taken away from him.

The situation, says the Belgian government, is not better in the rural districts where all the sons of farmers are taken away in masses every Monday morning.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 12. — Crashing squarely into its middle, a Southern Pacific railway locomotive struck a crowded street car at a grade crossing in the western part of Louisville tonight and demolished it. Four persons, all residents of Louisville, were killed and more than 20 injured, some seriously.

HIGHWAY BILL IS OFFERED IN HOUSE FOR WHOLE STATE

Bill for General Ouster Law is Introduced in Senate by McNider, of Perquimans.

COMPENSATION BILLS DEAD

House Passes Measure to Protect Ducks, Geese and Swan from Aeroplane Hunters.

(BY W. J. MARTIN.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 12.—Representative Doughton introduced in the House this afternoon the general State highway bill for issuance of bonds for road improvements, county highway commissions and to provide for the development of the public roads of the counties. It provides for road bonds on vote of the people and also on petition where 60 per cent of the property is represented in petitions.

The State Highway Commission is to advise as to bond sales and lay out the highways to be improved, bond issues to carry specification of roads to be improved and estimates approved by the State Highway Commission as to the cost of proposed improvement. County bonds can be issued to absorb township bonds for road improvement.

A bill for an ouster law was introduced in the Senate by McNider, of Perquimans, who explains that it is not an Anti-Saloon League measure especially for prohibition enforcement, but covers all manner of derelictions in duty by officers, wilful misconduct and failure to discharge duty being specified causes for removal through proceedings brought by any citizen in the Superior court.

Compensation Bills Dead.

The Brenizer and the Jones workmen's compensation bills received their death blow tonight at the hands of the joint legislative committee which has given a number of hearings, the final one this evening. The committee was unanimously for unfavorable reports on both except that Senator Jones, who was a member of the Senate committee, voted for his bill to be reported favorably.

Before the executive session that slaughtered the bills the committee heard Senator Jones, Senator Brenizer, W. S. Riddick, of the Western Carolina Wood Workers & Lumbermen's Association; Frank E. Johnson, of the National Casket Co., and C. C. Jarrett, of the Central Labor Union, all of Asheville, and others for the bills and a number of representatives of railroad brotherhoods and others against them.

A remarkable bill passed by the House this evening was that to protect ducks, geese and swan from aeroplane hunters. The statement was made in argument for the bill that very recently a number of aeroplane travelers stopped on the North Carolina coast for ten days or more and played havoc with the duck hunting interests, stampeding the ducks and putting land and boat hunters completely out of business.

Divorce Bill Passed.

The House passed a bill to allow divorce after ten years separation whether there were children from the union or not.

New bills introduced in the Senate:

Equalize salaries of stenographic clerks of the Supreme Court and other employes.

Scales—Define the status of indigent children.

Gough (by resuest)—Provide seats for motormen on street railways.

State Game Commission.

President Gardner laid before the Senate the bill by Senator Kelly, of

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"Never Torpedoed Without Warning"

CLAIM MADE BY GERMAN PAPER, WHICH COMPARES WAR ZONE DECLARATIONS FROM BERLIN AND LONDON.

Berlin, Feb. 12 (via Sayville)—"Torpedoed without warning." Under this headline the Norddeutsche Algemeine Zeitung is quoted by the Overseas News Agency as saying:

"When the English government, in the fourth month of the war, that is, November 3, 1914, declared the whole North Sea a military area and thus put into practice an absolutely new principle with respect to sea war zone, it then expressly warned all neutral ships —'merchantmen of all kinds, merchantmen from all districts, fishing vessels and other ships'—against entering the prescribed zone, as they would be exposed to great danger from English mines and English men-of-war.

"The German declaration with respect to the barred zone, on February 1, 1917, which followed the English declaration, announced exactly the same thing and pointed out that neutral ships entering this zone would do so at their own risk, exactly as had been set forth January 15, 1915, in a letter by an English minister to the

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FOOD SITUATION IN GERMANY HAS GROWN FAR WORSE RECENTLY

Many Staples Have Altogether Disappeared From Markets Within Last Five Months.

OTHERS EXTREMELY DEAR

Daily Allowance of Potatoes Has Been Reduced to 10 Ounces; Flour Hard to Get.

NO CHEESE SINCE AUGUST

No Evidence of Short Rations at the Front, However.

Stockholm, Jan. 20.—(Staff correspondent of Associated Press.) Food conditions in Germany have changed greatly for the worse in the last five months. The correspondent of the Associated Press, who had been away from Germany since the first week in August, has just returned from a stay of three weeks in Berlin. He found that many staples of food had altogether disappeared from the markets, others had grown so dear that they are beyond the reach of any but the well-to-do, the daily allowance of potatoes had been reduced to ten ounces, and that either a shortage of flour or a disordered distribution of it among the bakers had resulted in long queues of buyers standing for hours in front of the bakeries.

Allowance Insufficient.

Maximum prices of the foodstuffs controlled by the government are still very low for potatoes and bread, and comparatively low for meats. Potatoes cost only 72 cents, the standard bureau of 60 pounds and bread a little less than 3 1-2 cents a pound. But the potato allowance is unsufficient for persons who have little but bread and potatoes to eat, and has to be eked out with turnips.

It had been hoped to allow one egg a person each two weeks in Greater Berlin, but the last one-egg allowance was made some five weeks ago and another is not promised until February. Since the end of August there has been no cheese on the market.

Another serious reduction of available foodstuffs has been the expropriation for control by the government of all canned vegetables. Four or five weeks ago the dealers were permitted to sell a fractional part of their stock, but only two cans on each bread card. Dealers are to be compelled to open each can before selling it, so as to force the buyers to consume it at once and not hoard it.

Meat by the Ounce.

The weekly allowance of meat of all kinds in the Greater Berlin municipalities runs from 5¼ to 8¾ ounces. The cheapest varieties cost about 60 cents a pound; the dearest 72 cents.

The weekly allowance of butter and margarine together is a little less than three ounces a person. Oil is so expensive that it is out of the reach of the great majority. The Associated Press correspondent paid $3.12 for about two-thirds of a pint of hazelnut oil to be used for frying. Goose fat costs $4.80 a can of 17 3-5 ounces, and is the only fat, except vegetable oils, that can be bought without a card. This insufficiency of fats in the daily ration shows itself in an almost continuous feeling of hunger. The most bitter complaints came from soldiers at home.

When the writer last visited the front, in July, the men's rations were ample in every respect, and there is no reason to believe the same is not true today.

Deadly Monotony in Meals.

There is a deadly monotony about meals in the average household. Breakfast generally consists of rolls, marmalade (often made of pumpkins) and a decoction of roasted acorns, rye, chicory and what not, that goes by the name of coffee. There is no real coffee left. Some tea, at high prices is still to be had, but the poorer people drink a brew of linden blossoms, raspberry leaves or leaves of other shrubs or trees. For the "second breakfast" there is dry bread.

Dinner generally consists of boiled potatoes with salt, some kind of boiled vegetable, and, on perhaps two days of the week, a tiny piece of meat. Fish takes the place of meat on other days, unless one can buy a goose at $1.56 a pound, a duck at $1.44 a pound, a turkey at $1.32 a pound, or a hen at $1.08 to $1.20 a pound.

Supper is the problem in the average household. Generally there are no potatoes left over from noon, and if there are there is no fat in which to fry thm. The usual German supper before the war consisted of cold meats, sausage, cheese, bread and butter and beer. There is no meat, no cheese, and no sausage, no butter on four or five days of the week, no more bottled beer

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AMERICANS DROP BELGIAN RELIEF

Ordered by German Authorities to Withdraw From Work in Northern France Also.

THE COMMISSION EXPLAINS

Ordered to Leave Only a Few Representatives, Headed by Brand Whitlock, in Brussels to Supervise the Work.

WILL CONTINUE OBTAINING OF FUNDS AND SUPPLIES

Boston, Feb. 12.—The American Commission for Relief in Belgium will continue its activities towards obtaining funds and supplies and will support and co-operate with another neutral relief organization as soon as one is formed to administer the work, Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the commission, stated here tonight.

London, Feb. 12. — The American Commission for Relief in Belgium has officially notified the German authorities that the Americans will withdraw from participation in the relief work in Belgium and northern France. This step was taken in reply to an order from the German authorities that Americans must withdraw from the provinces of Belgium and northern France, leaving only a few of their representatives, headed by Brand Whitlock, American ambassador to Belgium, in Brussels.

The action of the commission is explained in the following statement, which was given to the Associated Press today by directors of the commission in London:

Commission Explains:

"We were advised February 12 by Director Warren C. Gregory, from Brussels that Baron von Der Lancken (civil governor of Brussels) had notified him that American citizens could no longer occupy positions in connection with the commission in the occupied territories of France and Belgium, but that a few Americans, among them Brand Whitlock, might reside in Brussels and exercise general supervision over the work. Mr. Whitlock, however, was to have no diplomatic standing. Further, automobiles and other means of communication would be denied Americans.

"After earnest consideration with Ambassador Page, the directors of the commission in London, acting in accord with Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the commission, instructed Mr. Gregory to inform the German authorities that in view of their order that the Americans could no longer exercise their functions in the occupied territories, and that as under these conditions the American members of the commission could no longer carry out their responsibilities and undertakings to other interested governments and fulfill their duties toward the peoples of Belgium and northern France, the Americans would officially withdraw from participation in the work of relief in the occupied districts.

"Mr. Gregory was advised to arrange for all his men to leave Belgium immediately, except a few who are to close the commission's affairs and take steps to see that there be no interruption in the service, pending the reorganization of the work."

Want $400,000 For Food Prices Probe

TRADE COMMISSION AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT PROPOSE THOROUGH INVESTIGATION THAT REQUESTS YEAR

Washington, Feb. 12.—Approval for a $400,000 appropriation will be asked of President Wilson by the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Agriculture for the food price investigation they are about to start at his direction. The inquiry will be begun as soon as the money is available and a plan of organization is worked out. It will go deeply into charges of price manipulation and restraints of trade in violation of the anti-trust laws.

At least six months will be required, it was said today, before any sort of report can be made and a year is the estimate of the period necessary for a complete inquiry.

The trade commission's observations will include the work of the farmer, the packer, the commission dealer, the wholesaler and the retailer. Experts will go into every detail of food production, distribution and consumption.

Tables prepared within the last few days bearing on food prices for 1916 show that during the year there was a general advance in prices from 10 to 100 per cent.

SUNDAY MAILS NOT TO BE CURTAILED ON A. C. L.

Department Rescinds Order as to Wilmington-Norfolk Trains.

Service Saved Through Efforts of Congressman Hood—Postmaster General Would Increase Newspaper Postage Rates

(Special Star Telegram)

Washington, Feb. 12.—The Postoffice Department today advised Congressman Hood that it had been decided not to discontinue Sunday mail service on trains numbers 48 and 49 between Wilmington and Norfolk as had been contemplated. Mr. Hood pointed out to the department that this Sunday service was very important to the people of his section of the Sthate and the department finally saw it that way and rescinded the order.

It is openly charged most everywhere that Postmaster General Burleson has done more to wreck what was a perfectly good railway mail service than all of his predecessors. His "space" pay idea practically demoralized what little efficiency had been left from his policy of "penny wise" and "pound foolish" policy.

The honorable Albert Sidney is now attempting to place an unjust and unbearable burden upon the newspapers of the country by increasing the second class postal rate to practically double what it is now. To illustrate just what this would mean to the average newspaper, the Memphis Commercial-Appeal says the passage of the amendment which Burleson is now trying to force through Congress would mean an additional expenditure for postage of $90,000 a year.

Representative Hood's bill increasing the pension of Henry B. Gaylor, of Magnolia, to $24 a month has passed the House.

Civil service examinations for filling vacancies in the rural delivery service will be held for South Mills at Elizabeth City and at Teachey's February 24.

Deputy United States Marshals George B. Waters, of New Bern, and W. T. Woodley, of Raleigh, were here today to bring a prisoner. P. R. A.

HIGHWAY BILL IS OFFERED IN HOUSE FOR WHOLE STATE

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Bladen, for the creation of a State game commission as a special order. Amendments would exempt a score or more counties.

Senator Kelly pleaded for the bill and several senators said Senator Kelly had won their support to his bill by his speech.

Senator Jones had asked that Buncombe be exempted but wanted it included again now.

Senator Gough spoke in opposition to the bill, as depriving counties of revenue from hunters' licenses and having other objectionable features.

Finally, Senator Oates suggested that the bill be re-referred and this was agreeable to Senator Kelly. President Gardner so ordered.

A bill by Senator Jones, of Buncombe, to amend the law as to the taking privy examination of women and abolishing this examination except in the case of deeding the homestead, was defeated.

Minority Senators Jonas, Williams and Gregg and Brasswell introduced a bill to prevent the shipment of liquors into the State, and procured an order for the printing of 200 copies.

The Senate adjourned to 11 o'clock Tuesday.

New Bills in House.

New bills in the House were:

Taylor, of Edgecombe—Amend the law as to the duties of the State Treasurer and require interest on State fund deposits.

Rogers—Declare certain sections of Clay county stock law territory.

Clarke, of Pitt—Require screens and individual towels in hotels.

Russell—Repeal the road act for Carteret county.

McBeed—Amend the 1917 act relative to the weekly payment of employes.

Haymore—Establish military training in the high school system of the State.

On motion of Representative Stubbs, his bill for a State constitutional convention was made a special order for Wednesday.

The House passed the following bills:

Permit the State institutions to condemn lands for water supply; Repeal the act enlarging the jurisdiction of the mayor of Rutherfordton; Appoint R. O. Bagley, of Currituck county, a member of the county highway commission; Amend the Revisal relating to hiring another's servant. (Many counties were exempted); Regulate the registration and sales of pistols.

The House tabled the bill designed to give greater secrecy in presentments.

Adjournment was to 11 o'clock Tuesday.

Nineteen of Crew Rescued.

London, Feb. 12.—Nineteen members of the crew of the British tank steamer Saxonian, which was sunk February 8 by a German submarine, were rescued, according to a Central News report. Eight men were injured.

NOSE CLOGGED FROM A COLD OR CATARRH

Apply Cream in Nostrils To Open Up Air Passages.

Ah! What relief! Your clogged nostrils open right up, the air passages of your head are clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, mucous discharge, headache, dryness—no struggling for breath at night; your cold or catarrh is gone.

Don't stay stuffed up! Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Ely's Cream Balm is just what every cold & catarrh sufferer has been seeking. It's just splendid.

MRS. M'DONALD SAYS FRIEND TOLD HOW GOOD IT WAS

Before Taking Tanlac, South Second Street Lady Could Only Eat Milk and Bread. Now She is Able to Eat Anything She Likes.

"Tanlac is the grandest medicine I have ever taken and everybody troubled with indigestion should try it," is the conclusion at which Mrs. J. C. McDonald has arrived after having put Tanlac to the test.

Mrs. McDonald resides at 718 South Second street, this city, and is the wife of a well known local carpenter.

"I suffered from indigestion for the past three years," Mrs. McDonald said further, in telling her story to the Tanlac Man, "and though I tried various medicines for it I gained but very little relief. Everything I ate, except milk and bread, seemed to disagree with me, especially at nights. I would suffer from a burning, choking feeling in my threat and chest. My food soured on my stomach and vomiting spells were frequent. I felt bad all the time and was very weak. There was little life about me, and I also was very nervous and didn't sleep well.

"Then a friend told me about Tanlac and advised that I try it. This advice, I am glad to say, I followed. Now I can eat anything I please and have already gained a great deal in strength for my food agrees with me. I no longer suffer from any of those bad spells and as nervousness is also gone I sleep good at nights."

Genuine Tanlac is sold in Wilmington only by the Bellamy Drug Store. Each town has its Tanlac dealer.—adv.

MEXICO PROPOSES JOINT EFFORT TO END EUROPEAN WAR

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t. English-owned oil fields on the Mexican east coast.

Carranza's Note.

The Carranza note, handed to the State Department by R. P. De Negri, charge of the Mexican embassy, says in part:

"Over two years ago there began in the old continent the most gigantic armed conflict which history records, spreading death, desolation and misery among the belligerent nations. This tragic struggle has deeply wounded the sentiments of humanity of all the countries not taking any participation in the struggle, and it would not be just or humane that these nations should remain indifferent before such great disaster. A deep sentiment of human brotherhood therefore obliges the Mexican government to offer its modest co-operation in order to bring about the cessation of the struggle. * * *

"The present European war seems to the whole world as a great conflagation, as a great plague that ought to have been isolated and limited long ago in order to shorten its duration and avoid its extension. Far from that, the commerce of the neutral countries of the whole world, and particularly that of America, has a great responsibility before history, because all the neutral nations, more or less, have lent their assistance in money, provisions, in munitions or inflence, and in this way have fed and prolonged this great conflagation.

Obligations Cited.

"By reason of high human morals and for their own national preservation, the neutral nations are obligated to abandon this procedure, and also to refuse to continue lending this assistance that has made possible the continuation of the war for over two years. To this end the Mexican government, acting within the most strict respect for the sovereignty of the countries at war, inspired by the highest humanitarian sentiments and guided at the same time by the sentiment of self-conservation and defense, permits itself to propose to the government of your excellency, as it is also doing to the other neutral governments, that, working in mutual accord and proceeding upon the basis of the most absolute equality for both groups of combatant powers, to invite them to put an end to the present war, either by themselves or taking advantage of the good offices or of the friendly mediation of all the nations that jointly may accept the invitation.

"If within a reasonable length of time peace cannot be established by this means, the neutral countries will then take the necessary measures in order to confine the conflagration to its strict limits, refusing to the belligerents all kinds of elements and stopping the merchant traffic with the nations of the world, until the end of the war is achieved.

International Law Sidestopped

"The Mexican government recognizes that in its propesition it steps aside a little from the principles of international law which until now have been in force in the relations of the neutrals with the belligerents. But we ought to recognize that the present European war is a conflict without any precedent in the history of humanity, which demands supreme effort and new remedies that cannot be found within the narrow and somewhat egotistical limits of international law as known up to date. * * *

"The government of Mexico understands that no neutral nation, powerful as it may be, could by itself take a step of this nature, and that the result of this measure only can be reached with the co-operation of the neutral governments possessing the greatest international influence before the belligerent nations.

United States Should Lead.

"It pertains especially to the United States, Argentina, Brazil and Chile, in America; and to Spain, Sweden and Norway in Europe, which are more influential and more at liberty to take a determined stand before the belligerents concerned, to foster this initiative, which, not because it proceeds from a nation which is supposed to be weak at the present time and therefore incapable of an effective international effort, is nevertheless, worthy of serious study and minute consideration."

Honolulu, Feb. 12.—Sailors from various German ships, which took refuge in Hawaiian waters, were released from detention today by immigration officials, acting, they said, under orders from Secretary of Labor Wilson.

DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE:

Met at 11 a. m.

Finance committee perfected revenue bill endorsed by Democratic caucus.

Peace delegation besieged senators in behalf of a referendum on war.

Resumed debate on Porto Rican citizenship bill after efforts failed to replace it with espionage measures and bill to enlarge the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Indian appropriation bill returned to conference committee for further consideration of matters in dispute.

Senator Lewis delivered eulogy of Lincoln.

Recessed at 5 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Reconvened at 8 p. m. and considered miscellaneous bills.

Adjourned at 10:45 p. m. to 11 a. m. Tuesday.

HOUSE:

Met at 11 a. m.

Representative Russell read Lincoln's Gettysburg address and Representatives Chipperfield and Dill spoke on Lincoln.

Considered naval appropriation bill, District of Columbia appropriation bill reported.

Recessed at 5:30 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.

Reconvened at 7:30 p. m. and took up private calendar bills.

Adjourned at 10:30 p. m. to 11 a. m. Tuesday.

FOOD CONDITIONS IN GERMANY HAVE GROWN FAR WORSE RECENTLY

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and many saloonkeepers refuse to sell beer to be consumed off the premises. The beer, moreover, is all but undrinkable.

Problem of Cost Added.

There remain, then, only bread and fish, fresh, smoked, dried or canned. And here the problem of cost is added to that of monotony. The writer paid in Berlin $1.20 a pound for ordinary lake trout, 84 cents a pound for small fresh water bass. Dried salted fish costs 36 cents a pound and smoked eel $1.92 to $2.40. Smoked goose breast costs $3 to $3.50 a pound, and boiled shrimps are 72 cents. Pepper costs $6 a pound and small raisins $1.08. Saccharine dissolved in water has taken the place of sugar for sweetening coffee and tea in private homes as well as restaurants. Milk is ordinarily available in limited quantities only for invalids, the very aged and small children.

A. & M. DEFEATED LAST NIGHT BY V. P. I. IN RALEIGH GAME

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 12.—V. P. I. defeated A. & M. here tonight by a score of 28 to 18. During the first half the Virginians clearly outplayed the Techs, the score being 19 to 7. On the final half A. & M. came back with a rush and for a few minutes played the visitors off their feet, only to lose the game in the last few minutes of play.

The work of Capt. Logan and Wrenn, fo. V. P. I. was the best seen on the local floor this season. Lewis for A. & M. played a good game.

"NEVER TORPEDOED WITHOUT WARNING',

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Dutch minister—'Vessels may do so at their own risk'."

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung declares:

"The German sea forces have thus never torpedoed without warning, since the sinking of all ships without previous particular warning occurred in a war district, which has been declared dangerous," and adds:

"The same cannot be said of England, since British submarines have repeatedly attacked and sunk steamers by torpedoes outside the sea war district and without warning."

New Kid Gloves Today.

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GOVERNOR DECLINES TO PARDON H. A. HAYES

Former Head of Orphans' Home Must Serve Out Term.

R. M. Williams Succeeds H. R. Faison, Resigned, as Second Lieutenant. Community Service School in Bladen—Charters.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 12.—Governor Bickett announced today that he declines to grant a pardon for H. A. Hayes, serving ten years' sentence in the penitentiary for the embezzlement of funds while manager of the Orphans' Home of the Western North Carolina Conference at Winston-Salem. A son of Hayes has been pressing the matter of securing a pardon and prison authorities had confirmed reports that the health of Hayes was very much broken.

However, the Governor sent for Mr. Walter Thompson, the present superintendent of the Home, and procured the papers in the case showing the record of Hayes, not only during the time that he embezzled the funds, but at various places throughout the country before he secured the superintendency of the Home, and the showing was such that the Governor could not feel justified in interfering with the service of the full term; this, too, in the face of the fact that the trial judge had represented to Governor Bickett that had it not been that ten years was the minimum sentence he could impose under the law he would have given not more than three or four years' sentence.

To represent this State at the annual session of the International Society for the Promotion of Industrial Education, to be in session at Indianapolis February 21-24, Governor Bickett appoints the following delegates: Dr. William Hill, Moore county; T. E. Brown, Raleigh; W. C. A. Hammel, R. H. Latham, Winston-Salem; T. B. Alsmore, Pamlico, and O. A. Dukes.

R. M. Williams Commissioned.

A commission is issued by the North Carolina National Guard authorities to Robert M. Williams as second lieutenant, Company A, of Engineers, vice Haywood R. Faison, resigned.

The companies of the First North Carolina Infantry are being mustered out of the Federal service at their home stations in Western Carolina after service on the Mexican border.

W. C. Crosby, of the State Farmers' Union community service work, returned today from Elizabethtown, Bladen county, where a week's community service school for the organized community leaders of the county was held the past week with marked success. He found the Bladen people thoroughly alive to the work and most receptive for all the lines of special instruction provided in these county community service schools.

Highway Engineer Winslow, of the United States Department of Road Engineering, was there and built a section of model road as an illustration of economical road construction.

There was special stress on taxation as the highest type of community cooperation that, economically administered, is most beneficial. Mr. Blon Butler was the specialist in the presentation of the taxation specialty for demonstrating that taxation, instead of being an avenue for graft, primarily, is a most essential and advantageous means of community service and development.

New Corporations.

New corporations were chartered today as follows:

The Feature Film Corporation, Charlotte, capital $125,000 authorized and $700 subscribed by E. L. Cowles, E. H. Brown and F. S. Mayfield.

The West Jefferson Hotel Co. of West Jefferson, Ashe county, capital $14,000 authorized and $10,000 subscribed by J. J. Thomas, H. C. Tucker and others for erecting and operating a hotel.

The People's Auto & Supply Co., of New Bern, capital $50,000 authorized and $9,000 subscribed by W. A. McIntosh, D. H. Gaskill and R. D. Gaskins.

The Piedmont Phonograph Co., of Lenoir, capital $125,000 and $2,500 subscribed by G. O. Shakespeare, S. W. Lawrence and J. W. Hignant for manufacture and sale of phonographs and a general textile manufacturing business, including finishing and dyeing and bleaching of cloths.

The Frankford Mercantile Co., of Henry, Catawba county, capital $5,000 authorized and $4,000 subscribed by B. C. Shuford, Hickory; Everett Carpenter, and J. A. Mull, of Henry.

The Vance Grocery Co., of Henderson, capital $50,000 authorized and $7,000 subscribed by A. J. Davis, Wallace White and others for a general mercantile and grocery business.

An amendment for the charter of the Broadus & Ives Lumber Co., New Bern, provides for reduction of the capital stock from $100,000 to $60,000. C. L. Ives is the president of the corporation.

Beautiful New White Cotton Skirting today, 25c to 50c per yard. C. H. Fore & Co.—(Adv.)

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EFFECT OF WAR ON COTTON MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

Mr. J. F. Taylor Says Probably it Would Not Suffer Immediately.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 12.—The situation in the cotton manufacturing industry in the face of the present political conditions is so complex that few men will venture a definite opinion as to what will happen to the trade in the event of an outbreak of hostilities between this country and Germany, according to J. F. Taylor, a former president of the Southern Soft Yarn Spinners' Association and head of extensive manufacturing interests here, but there would probably be no setback for the first 12 or 18 months, is his belief based on study of affairs as they exist and precedents.

Mr. Taylor today stated that he supposed in the event of actual war the government would demand big supplies of clothing for the army and navy, and that the garments would have to be of better quality than the civilian trade requires. Also, it is assumed that many more thousands of bales of cotton than now would go into the making of ammunition. The production, he believes, has been several million bales short of normal in the total for the past three years. With the coming of war the farmers, he thinks, would increase their output without regard to prospects. Precedent would justify them in this, and justifies him in his opinion. Beyond the time when the armed forces of the nation would be supplied and a necessary surplus stored up for them, no man can foresee, Mr. Taylor said.

STOCK LAW QUESTION IS AT FEVER "HEAT" IN DUPLIN

Half a Thousand People Going to Raleight Wednesday for Fight

(Special Star Correspondence)

Warsaw, Feb. 12.—Interest in the stock law matter is at fever heat here. There has scarcely ever before been so much interest manifested in a question of simply local importance. The people of the county are thoroughly aroused. A large majority of the taxpayers are bitterly opposed to paying a tax for fencing the county, especially in view of the heavy cost of maintaining the fence after it is built, to say nothing of its initial cost of $100,000.

A large number of those who voted for free range two years ago did not understand at the time what it would involve, and are now opposed to it. Their names are among those that are on the petition asking for stock law for Duplin county, and some of them will be among the number of those fully five hundred strong—who like a small army will descend upon Raleigh Wednesday to beseige the Legislature for a repeal of the act of 1915, and ask for a law that will leave the decision to a popular vote.

FUNERAL OF MR. J. A. MOORE.

Most Largely Attended of Any in Fayetteville in Years.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 12.—The most largely attended funeral held in Fayetteville in recent years was that of James A. Moore, which was conducted from the First Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon. Mr. Moore died Friday morning. The services were attended by the municipal board of audit and finance, of which the deceased was a member, and the board of aldermen, as well as by Phoenix Lodge No. 8, of Masons and a congregation of friends which filled the church, upstairs and down. Mr. Moore was also a member of the Knights of Pythias, and though the local lodges of this order did not attend in a body the greater number of the members attended individually. The services at the church were conducted by the assistant pastor, Rev. J. L. Fairly, and those at the grave by Rev. Archer Boogher, of St. John's Episcopal church. Masonic services were also held at the cemetery.

BISHOP DARST AT KINSTON.

Tells of Big Gain in Mission Work in the Diocese.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 12.—Bishop Thos. C. Darst, of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina, who is spending a couple of days here. Sunday told the congregation of St. Mary's church of a big gain in the mission work within the diocese in the past two years. As well as all churches, practically every mission in the diocese will be supplied with a minister by March 1, he said. The bishop stated that the number of men in the diocesan work had increased from 26 to 38 in the two years, and that clergymen had been brought into the territory from northern, western and other southern dioceses. He expects, he said, the diocese to raise $25,000 or more for the pension fund for clergymen. The church in America has raised almost all of $5,000,000 asked for the fund. The East Carolina diocese was requested to contribute $20,000.

ANNIVERSARY AT WAKE FOREST

Big Event With Literary Societies Next Friday—Debate

(Special Star Correspondence)

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 12.—The Euzelian and Philomathesian literary societies of Wake Forest College will observe the celebration of their eighty second anniversary next Friday, Feb. 16. Featuring the program of the day will be a debate in the afternoon. In the evening an orator selected from each society will deliver an oration in Wingate Memorial Hall, after which the scene will shift to the two society halls where the celebration will be brought to a close with a reception tendered by the two societies. A general holiday will be in effect in College and the presence of many visitors on the hill combine to make it a gala day.

DR. PHELPS AT WAKE FOREST

Yale Professor Tells Students of His "Literary Pilgrimage in England"

(Special Star Correspondence)

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 12.—Dr. William Lyon Phelps, of Yale University, concluded a series of seven lectures at Wake Forest College Saturday night with an informal lecture on his "Literary Pilgrimage in England." A large and every attentive audience heard the noted professor and all were charmed by his vivid description and narration and his delightful humor.

In the first part of his address Dr. Phelps recounted his visits to various points of literary interest in England, giving in a most interesting manner both descriptions of the places and comments on the literary associations which make them famous.

Auction Sale Today.

Royall property at Third and Chestnut streets. Don't fail to be there. Music. Souvenirs. United Realty Co.

THEATRICAL

The many thousands of admirers of Mary Pickford found much to be thankful for in the presentation of Mary Pickford's great super-feature, "The Pride of the Clan," and it without a doubt is the best thing that the charming little star has ever done on the screen. Those who remember her in "Rags," and "Tess of the Storm Country" may find this a little hard to believe, unless they saw "The Pride of the Clan" yesterday.

Added to the superb work of Mary Pickford is the expert directorship of Maurice Tournier and to this is attributable to a great extent the fact that it was the most pleasing of all Mary Pickford's efforts. It will doubtless play to packed houses once those who saw it yesterday get to talking on this, its last day's presentation at the Victoria.

Also, the producer deserves congratulation for the deft and workmanlike manner in which local color is caught and maintained. The Scotch atmosphere is unmistakable, and students of land of the heather folklore will be deeply interested in the clever outlining of the quaint betrothal ceremonies by the light of torches and bonfires on the Eve of St Cullan. The plot is remarkable for its simplicity, and a judicious blending of the lights and shadows of comedy and pathos effectually banishes the curse of one groove sentimentality which so frequently handicaps the appeal of many otherwise commendable screen attractons.

In this connecton be it said that Miss Pickford scores an equal triumph in moods serious and merry. There is every possibility that the versatility she exhibits throughout the production will cause it to be listed by critics as the best film in which she has appeared during her extraordinarily successful career as a star of the silent drama. Space does not permit of a lengthy dissertation upon her work in detail, but it can safely be surmised that her portrayal of the Scotch lassie of the little fishing hamlet will be hailed with unfeigned delight and satisfaction wherever the dainty personality of bonny Mary is flashed upon the screen. The photography is faultless and taken as a whole, this offering can be registered as a notable and welcome addition to the Artcraft program.

VIOLA DANA IN "THE GATES OF EDEN"

Today's Big Feature at the Grand

"The Gates of Eden"—Grand.

A drama of life in a Shaker community, written by the Rev. William E. Danforth and with Viola Dana as the star, is "The Gates of Eden," a five-reel Metro-Columbia feature which will be seen at the Grand today.

Miss Dana, youngest of motion picture stars, has two roles in this powerful production, first appearing as Evelyn, a scorned mother, and next as Eve, her daughter. The story contains strong love elements and gives the young star ample opportunity to display her emotional abilities. Supporting Miss Dana are Augustus Phillips, Robert Walker, Edward Earle, Grace E. Stevens, Fred Jones and Harry Linson. John H. Collins, who directed the production, declares it is one of the strongest and most beautiful pastoral dramas he has produced for the screen.

"No better star than Miss Dana could have been chosen," he added. "She fits perfectly into the two roles allotted to her."

Miss Dana, who is only 18 years old, has proved a marvel since she began appearing in many difficult roles in motion pictures. Before that time she was known from coast to coast for her remarkable performance in "The Poor Little Rich Girl."

Bunch of Features at Bijou.

Today at the Bijou you will be treated to a rare bunch of big feature photoplays, every one of which will possess a great appeal for every one. It is a bill of movies that cannot help but please, as it contains the widest possible variety of subjects that could possibly have been gathered together.

Hearst-Pathe News for today is almost full, from end to end, with great events relating to the break with Germany by Uncle Sam. There are interesting views from both ends of the various parties who are exerting efforts to avoid war, and some big scenes that will interest every American citizen. Then there are some big war scenes from the European battle fronts and a big magazine section, also a mammoth cartoon comedy on the end.

Popular Ben Wilson with Edna Hunter, are co-stars in a great two-reel Big U dramatic gem, "Wife's Folly," one of the most tense and exciting dramatic features of the year, with enough action to make an ordinary five-reel production.

And then there is a great Nestor comedy scream, "Macaroni Sleuth," starring those popular stars, Eddie Lyons and beautiful Edythe Roberts.

Make Fine Impression.

Guy Johnson's Dolly Dimple Girls at the three performances presented yesterday afternoon and last night made an impression that will undoubtedly result in the present week being the very biggest in the history of the Royal Theatre.

There is a novelty and a uniqueness about the Johnson aggregation that goes over with a smash at every performance, and without even singling out any of the bright particular stars of the show, it shows up as a whole as the very best and most talented bunch of entertainers of the season. And there is a reason—Guy Johnson has been working musical comedy shows throughout no other section than the South continuously for the past five years and knows exactly what is required to make a show go big in this territory.

When it comes to particular mention, judging from applause that all-star team, Weist and Meyers will have to be mentioned first. Their opening act at the matinee called for five encores which were so pronounced that they were forced to respond, and then the audience wasn't satisfied. They present a singing and musical act with the piano that is hard to equal, and is absolutely up to the highest class vaudeville standard all the way through. Then comes the celebrated Dolly Dimple Quartette, in the biggest harmony singing hits—with piano accompaniment of the season. And charming Grace Hutchinson "And the Blues" charmed as of old with several big numbers. And then came the big surprise—a mammoth Keith vaudeville acrobatic act—Shelman and Cramer—as an extra added attraction, who performed some of the most marvelous feats of strength ever seen on a local stage. And not to forget dainty Louise Wright, the South's favorite entertainer, and Sohn an Sohn, Dixie's Sweetest Singers. They were all there with the goods that will make this the most popular week in the history of the Royal. The big opening show goes on for the last times today and tonight.

Howe's Travel Festival

The almost incredible hardships, difficulties and dangers—the grim fight with the elements in the primal frigid wastes of the Antarctic by Sir Douglas Mawson's Expedition will be shown by Lyman H. Howe at the Academy matinee and night on tomorrow. The story of the epochal event resulting in the discovery of a new continent which was unknown since the dawn of creation, is shown in detail and in photography that is absolutely perfect.

The entrancing beauties of Yosemite National Park will also be revealed in a delightful ride over winding trails, right through Giant Sequoias and past tremendous precipices over which crystal rivers tumble and whirl, and leap from cliff to cliff until they become great clouds of snowy whiteness. Numerous other features will be presented as well as a series of those clever animated cartoons that contribute so much to the merriment of the program throughout. The matinee prices will be 25 cents and 35 cents. Children 15 cents to any seat. Night prices will be from 25 cents to 50 cents. Tickets are now on sale at Elvington's front street store.

Thrilling Rescue Scene in "The Great Secret" Starring Bushman and Bayne Starting at the Grand Friday.

CHILD KILLED BY DYNAMITE.

Knocked from Shelf in Home in Parents' Absence.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 12.—Ruby Hall, the seven-months-old child of W. D. Hall, a tenant farmer of this county, died in Cumberland General Hospital last night from the effect of injuries sustained when her three-year-old sister knocked a stick of dynamite off a shelf in their father's home. The children were alone in the house when the accident occurred. Both of the little tots were fearfully injured by the explosion and the older one, Jessie, is in a critical condition. She is in the Cumberland General Hospital.

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Bon Marche (Incorporated). *Where the New Things Appear First*

Spring Merchandise Arriving Daily

Our buyers were in the market earlier than usual this season, and it was a lucky thing that they were, for desirable merchandise is very scarce and deliveries are uncertain. Every day from now on throughout the spring season we will open up shipments of the newest and most wanted spring goods.

For instance, yesterday a number of patterns in the sport silks were received. These designs are brighter and more vivid than any you have seen, but they are just a forerunner of what the sportiest of sport seasons will be, and before the spring is over they will look mild and conservative in comparison with the other goods that will be shown.

Today we expect other merchandise equally as smart and up-to-date as the numbers that came in yesterday.

Spring Millinery Just In

Our milliner is expected in tomorrow. She has sent on ahead quite a stock of spring millinery. Many new ideas are being unpacked daily. A feature of the line is the reasonableness of the prices. Our experience of last fall has led us to secure hats of the kind and price that are in demand, and we feel sure you will be surprised at the values offered in the millinery section.

Special Sale of Neckwear at 39c

While in the market, we secured this lot of high grade neck fixings at very much less than their real value. They are not seconds, nor are they soiled or mussed, but represent good fresh goods that have been taken out of the regular line. The sale starts at 9 o'clock. Only a limited quantity will be offered. Some eight to ten dozen, so to be early means choice assortment. Values up to $1.00 at 39c.

The Spring Ready-to-Wear Is Constantly Arriving

The suits and coats are particularly bright and attractive. The sport colors of chartreuse, gold, Shadowlawn green, salmon and French blue are especially pretty. A visit to the second floor will acquaint you with the delightful new spring styles for women and misses.

BIJOU

Hearst - Pathe News

All About the Threatened War—In Pictures.

Eager Crowds Congregate in Washington Awaiting Wilson's Word.

Uncle Sam's Dreadnaughts Mobilize All Along the Coast.

Bernstorff is Handed His "G. B."

And Many Others.

BEN WILSON

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"A WIFE'S FOLLY"

Macaroni Sleuth

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LAST TIMES TODAY

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches;
None of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give to God a ransom for him.
For the redemption of their soul is precious. —PSALM 49:6, 7, 8.

Officers who shoot to kill generally do, as shown by inquests over numerous innocent by-standers in New York.

A fellow says he "saw" a girl home one evening but when he saw her father home he decided that he did not have time to go in.

An unsentimental domestic scientist says that it does not matter how pretty a girl is, she should know where the dish towel hangs.

In a state where so many reforms are needed, we have to be satisfied to get a few at a time and go on in hope of getting more in the future.

The cur dog is still the paramount political issue in North Carolina. The stock law question has left him practically in charge of the whole field.

While America is concerned over the overt possibility of war with Germany, the imperial government is concerned in the avert possibility of the situation.

That Associated Press correspondent sent over some very interesting news from Copenhagen, after getting out of Germany and away from the Berlin censorship.

Of course, you know that tomorrow is St. Valentine's day, but the probability is that you will be forcefully reminded of it by getting what is coming to you.

The Italian front is still there, but as soon as the winter is over it does not propose to be still. Owing to the fact that the spring is approaching, some momentous events can be expected in Europe.

What will we do this week that will promote the development of Wilmington? It is not a question of what can we do but what will we do. The committee on starting something should hold a meeting.

Northern investors are now buying stock in Southern cotton mills. They are beginning to find out that the proper place of manufacture is where the raw material is produced. It is an economic proposition that is demonstrating itself in well managed cotton mills in the South.

Recently a two weeks term of the criminal court of Haywood county cost more than $4,000. We wonder how much of the cost consisted of fees. Anyhow, the high cost of courts has a great deal to do with taxation in the various counties. Nevertheless, there are some people who still insist on having more counties and smaller counties.

New York now has the walking fad—walking for health's sake. "I walk to work" is the slogan, and the city health department is engaged in a propaganda in order to promote the idea. The thing to do now is to belong to the "I Walk to Work Club", but somebody has discovered that its monogram is the same as the I. W. W. organization that is composed mostly of walking delegates who stir up anarchistic ideas.

Eastern North Carolina people should quit making politics out of the stock law-woods range question. That is absolutely absurd. It is purely an economic question and it simply is a matter of figures and results that must appeal to a man's common sense and not to his political predjudices. It is a sad commentary on the intelligence of men when politicians can make more by appealing to political prejudices than to the common ordinary horse sense of the average citizen.

THE IDLE ASSET AROUND US.

A certain constructive movement set on foot under auspices of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Settlement & Development Organization is stimulating thought of the means for making an available asset of a great idle asset which represents an immense amount of tied up capital in Eastern North Carolina. It has stimulated this thought on the part of the New Bern Sun-Journal:

"Craven county contains 660 square miles of territory. This has 422,400 acres of land, of which only 202,238 acres is in farm lands. Of the latter number only 63,943 acres is in improved farm lands. The rural population is less than 24 to the square mile.

"Here is a problem that needs earnest consideration. With food prices constantly rising, the trend of population steadily increasing in its drift to the city, the chances are that prices will continue to advance.

"On March 28th and 29th a State-wide conference and exhibition for livestock is to be held in Wilmington. Our people should take an active interest in this meeting. Our idle acres should be made to produce.

"The great war in Europe today has become a struggle of food. The two principal belligerents, England and Germany, are each striving to defeat the other by starvation. The greatest problem confronting these two nations is the supply of food.

"In this fact lies a lesson for our country. A great shortage of leather and wool now exists. The food supply is not as great as it should be. If we are drawn into the war these conditions will go from bad to worse.

"Now is the time for our land owners to take positive steps toward greater production. Idle lands should be made to produce livestock, sheep and food for man and beast.

"Lets take part in the Wilmington conference and improve conditions in the Old North State. Let's bring the thousands of idle acres under cultivation. It is a duty and will result in the upbuilding of the State as nothing else could."

The foregoing is a view which every county in Eastern North Carolina should adopt for itself. If the people of tidewater Carolina can become sufficiently aroused along the line suggested by the Sun-Journal, they will get busy and make it a point to come to the State-wide purebred stock show and livestock conference to be held in Wilmington next month. If they once become thoroughly convinced that there is something vital in it, they won't take chances on missing an occasion that is aimed to emphasize the paramount possibilities in the development of this portion of the State. We frequently refer to it as a region of wonderful resourcefulness, but we must remember that the richest of resources are worth nothing unless we actively develop them and make them yield the prosperity that comes only from development.

We will no longer neglect our undeveloped resources if we will but become thoroughly aroused to the fact that there are immense opportunities in them for development and prosperity for us as well as for thousands of new settlers. There is no longer a particle of excuse for sleepy communities in a section so versatile in all respects as this immediate portion of the Nation's Garden Spot. An aroused people is the need of the hour. It is the vital need of Eastern North Carolina. All we have to do is simply to wake up and go about.

THE SOUTH ON THE BIG MAP.

The South has put itself on the big map, and it is making the financiers and the statisticians sit up and take notice. Recently, Roger W. Babson, of Boston, who is recognized all over the world as a statistician of the highest authority, predicted in one of his reviews that the business and industrial outlook for the future was assured and that the development South in every particular will be more intense, and on a broader plane. He pointed out the potential reason for it, and concretely they were the various factors in the development of the tremendous resources of the South.

The evidences as a whole are striking and huge results are fully sustaining Mr. Babson, since Financial America has come forward with a two column editorial to emphasize the prosperous conditions prevailing in the South. Financial America's article is captioned "Southern Railroads Take Lead in Rate of Business Growth," and in its issue of February 5, that strong publication says:

"The southern district has taken the lead in respect to the rate at which business is growing and is experiencing almost no diminution in the rate of growth. The western district has fallen to second place, the rate of growth of its business settling down even more rapidly than that of the eastern district. In every district, however, the rate of expansion continues far above the normal average, which is about 7 per cent per annum."

The article from which the above is taken treats the American railroad situation exhaustively, and the statistics of railroad business north, east, south and west are carefully compared. They show that the South has taken the lead in America. That means that it has taken the lead in the world.

That conspicuous fact confirms Mr. Babson, who pointed out the healthy commercial conditions and great possibilities in the South and strongly advised his clients to "get a foothold in the South." Those of us who already have a foothold in the rapidly developing South are extremely lucky. We can grow up with the Greater South that there surely is to be. The South is now on the way.

The statisticians and the financiers know it. When all American people generally know it as well as they, then there will come to the South a flood of homeseekers and opportunity hunters.

WHY WE WILL FIGHT

People talk loosely about war without stopping to think that the issues involved in war must be well defined. War fought without some high purpose or for definite settlement of some vital question that will remain settled is a crime against civilization. The wholesale sacrifice of human lives in a war over matters that war will not settle is throwing life to the four winds The same can be said of wars of aggression. No such wars are justifiable.

Whether people are opposed to war or not, they have to fight in defense of their country when it is attacked. A man's life is precious to him and he is willing to sacrifice it in good cause, but not for any and all sorts of causes. When we talk seriously about going to war, therefore, the question for the whole country is whether it is to be offensive or defensive. If it is defensive—that is, protection of the nation against attack, or for the protection of American rights—nobody need ask what it is about. If it is to accomplish a certain purpose, that purpose will have to be fixed definitely in the minds of the people, if it is to be their cause. In the sober moments following excitement, people stop to ask whether we now have cause for war and the answer will have to be satisfactory to them.

Discussing the war talk and the possibilities and reasons for war, the Financial and Commercial Chronicle, New York, reminds the American people that "we are not yet at war with any nation" and that "it is well to fix the mind upon the fact." If we are actually going to have a war, what for? It is not reasonable to expect war, without there is some well defined national motive and humane reason for it. Yet "the verge of war" idea has prevailed even before the American government has made a solemn declaration of the purpose for which it may determine to fight. Thereupon, the Financial and Commercial Chronicle, unmoved by the excitement of the people, goes on to say:

"If the solemn declaration shall ever be made, in the present disturbed condition of the world, it will carry with it tremendous possibilities and perplexing complications. Let us be in no haste to assume that the issue is upon us, that the calamity is impending. Wise preparation against a contingency, even against a probability is not warrant for believing that war is inevitable.

"It will be recalled by many that the Spanish American war was often said to be a product of the newspapers. A New England Senator, returning from Cuba, pictured in dry and unimpassioned terms, the horrors of reconcentrado camps in that unhappy island. Immediately the daily press flamed with protest. Conditions were said to be "intolerable." Appeals were made to the humanitarian feeling of a great and puissant people. A new element appeared in the life of the Republic, theretofore existing in splendid isolation—the duty of a strong nation to help the oppressed at its doors and within radius of its implied protection. The spirit of the Congress was stirred—and war ensued. Spain acceded to all demands—save where, as she replied, sovereignty was invaded, that she could not relinquish.

"It is idle now to ask whether there was any other way out than the one taken. But we may always ask this of the present. It is said that the present 'break' finds the country cold, the people unprepared for the eventuality, that nine out of ten, if their wishes could be expressed, are opposed to war. Over against this stands the duty of the Executive and of Congress to assert the nation's rights, and to preserve its honor and dignity before the world. The action of the President in severing relations has been overwhelmingly approved, judging by expressions of the press. And yet it is at this point that caution and a deeper contemplation should enter in. True, amity cannot be broken without creating a state of antagonism. But this may be passive rather than active—it may be a sublime moral protest, not the fearful expedient of using force to establish a principle, or of war to quell a war.

"We view with unqualified satisfaction the tender of industrial plants to the uses of the Government in this crisis. As we have pointed out in another column the country rises above so-called "commercialism." But the decision is not yet made, the compact is not yet sealed. We must define a future "overt act" in the light of an unalterable policy, as well as principle, which we declare now. To declare for the "freedom of the seas," is not to enforce that declaration by force of arms. As suggested in this paper last week, we cannot escape the complications which war will bring. We must know who we fight with, as who against, and where the far-flung battle line will lead us.

"Entangling alliances" we have none. Shall we weave them of steel, who would never before weave them of sympathy? Has starving and violated Belgium been forsaken that we now enforce our right to trade and travel where we please? Will our Senate, that but a few short days ago reaffirmed in direct our continued allegiance to the Monroe Doctrine, ere the echoes die away, engage our battle fleet to break an overseas blockade, or to pacify the waters of the round earth? And if we rise above selfish business demands in our devotion to our own country, can we justify in other eyes the taking up of the sword to carve our way to the trade of any portion of the globe?

"With noble and singular unanimity Congress and the people "stand behind" the President in all that he must needs do. But should they not stand before, as well? Should he be left to bear this heavy burden alone? Sorrow broods in the face of Lincoln. His vision is inward and upward. And so must it be with Mr. Wilson now. If there be aught that we may bring forth to assist, will it not be found in the deliberate balancing of good against evil, and of evil against a greater evil; in the reconcilement of opposing principles and policies as we see them in their relation to the duty and destiny of this nation; in the full appraisal not only of intents but of consequences; and in the application of that "higher good," that, though it trumpet truth from the mountain top, yet dwells in the shadows and silence of renunciation; that has yet the courage to bear and forbear, if, forsooth, it shall be for the best; and all for the peace of the world. If from these unruffled deeps Congress and the people, having discounted provocation, shall arise with the conviction to wage war—then the duty of the citizen, as well as that of the nation, is plain. And until the judgment speaketh, let the emotions travail in silence."

The foregoing is a view taken in connection with "the financial situation." The financial situation does not seem to be nearly so disturbed as the people. The press is warned that it can bring on a war, as it did with Spain, but in financial circles there is undisturbed quiet for the reason that this country has not yet laid down any issue that it proposes to settle definitely by war. Until then the people may as well take the situation just as quietly as it is taken in financial circles.

WILSON AND LINCOLN.

Charges Made Against Them Show a Strange Parallel, Says N. Y. Man.

The following communication published in the New York Times last fall is reproduced in today's Star by request:

To the Editor of the New York Times:

President Wilson's opponents are very liberal with their criticisms of his care and caution in dealing with the difficult foreign questions which he has had to meet, and very free in charging him with "wobbling," "uncertainty," and the like.

The attitude of even ardent supporters of President Lincoln during his term of office is both an illustration and a warning of the small value to be attached to these contemporary opinions. If we would see the great Civil War President as he appeared to those of his time, we must go to their writings, and we shall find the picture quite different from the idealized one so familiar to us now.

Richard Grant White, a Republican and an earnest Union man, wrote a series of political pamphlets in support of the Administration, four in number, entitled "The New Gospel of Peace" In the first of these, published July 27, 1863, he pictures Abraham Lincoln as he appeared to the country then:

"Now, Abraham was honest, but he was not wise in his generation.

"Likewise, also of the chief counselors that he appointed, that one that was counselor for the war wrought only mischief and confusion; even so that Abraham, who was long-suffering and slow to anger, would sometimes put down his foot in wrath.

"Now, Abraham's foot was heavy, but his head was light and his knees were feeble. So his foot came down in the wrong place or at the wrong time, or else it continued not down until the end was accomplished.

"Wherefore he prevailed not. And he was called Abraham the well-meaning. And men pitied him.

"And Abraham and his counselors should have ruled with a firm hand and a mighty arm and have bound the land together with bands of steel, and have smitten down the strong and set at naught the proud, and been gracious unto the feeble. But they wavered and shrank from the voice of threatening, both in their own land and in the land of Jonbool (John Bull)."

We see here an exact parallel to the charges made against Wilson, even that of being too submissive to England.

It is not an unreasonable conclusion that in the future people will read with astonishment the partisan attacks upon the great President of our own time, who has for over two years preserved peace with honor during the greatest world disturbance of at least 100 years, treated our unfortunate neighbor Mexica with a consideration which is thoroughly consistent with out national ideals, and at the same time secured the adoption of the greatest programme of constructive and progressive legislation ever passed during one Presidential term.

—BOARDMAN WRIGHT.

CURRENT COMMENT.

When the article by Mr. Ira B. Mullis in regard to the bill which proposes to turn over all the automobile tax to the State Highway Commission was published in Monday's Robesonian we intended to pay our respects to the bill in the same issue, but space and time prevented. Mr. Mullis made out as good a case as it is possible to make out in favor of that bill, but The Robesonian does not see anything very attractive in it. We much prefer, and we believe the people of Robeson county much prefer, the bill that provides that 90 per cent of the auto taxes be paid back to the counties from which they come, the money to be used under the direction of the county road authorities. Last year Robeson county paid into the State treasury $2,650.20 in auto license taxes, and received of this amount $1,640.16. Under the bill Mr. Mullins advocates the county would have received 640.16. Under the bill Mr. Mullis adcounty would receive from the same amount of tax, $1,845.18.—Lumberton Robesonian.

We presume this government is giving careful consideration to the question of how best it can aid in the struggle against Germany in case that country should declare war upon us. Will it be by open alliance with the Allies, by placing our military and naval resources at their disposal? If so, what agreements with the Allied nations would be necessary and desirable? Shall we join in the contract not to make a separate peace? Many questions of this sort will arise, and the answers thereto may determine the whole future of this country. Nothing could be of more importance than that we should reach right conclusions concerning these matters. Lord Northcliffe was quoted in yesterday's papers as saying that he hoped America would not enter the war. His argument as reported was not very clear, but it seems that he is in fear that munitions now going to the Allies will be withheld for the use of this country. Either that or he is fearful that the United States might want to take too prominent a part in the peace negotiations when the time comes, for those negotiations. Whether Lord Northcliffe is right or wrong in his conclusion that the United States can help best by staying out of the actual conflict is immaterial, because in all probability it will be forced into it, whether it wants to or not. The important thing, if we are forced into it, is that we enter the war in the way that will make us most effective as an antagonist. It would ill assort with both the temper of this country, our own best interests and the welfare of the world if we should play a passive part in the war after entering it. To the question, then, of how we can act most effectively in case we are forced to fight, the government must address itself most seriously.—Baltimore Sun.

WHEN MARRIAGE IS A FAILURE

Surely marriage is a failure when its essential purpose, the raising of a family of children, proves impossible. In the childless home the married pair, though sometimes more or less unconscious of the fact, grow disappointed and lonely. Lacking the best tie to hold them together they are likely to drift apart, hence many separations and divorces.

If every wife, whose physical state prevents motherhood, would but try that great remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, there would be far fewer childless homes.—adv.

The movement on the part of the beef cattle division of the North Carolina Experiment Station at West Raleigh to place more pure bred animals on the farms of the piedmont and western sections of the State is one that should meet with response. Not only is it necessary to have these cattle for breeding purposes, but also for the permanent improvement of the farms which were laid waste by the floods last summer. Like all other initial moves, the proposition will meet with some setbacks at the outset, but once the farmers are convinced that pure bred cattle are an investment rather than an outlay of unnecessary expense, then will the appeal on the animal industry meet with the results that it should. Of course the farmers who need the cattle most at this time are those who can least afford to buy them. Farm lands in certain areas are in poor physical and chemical condition now, and no one investment can do more to hasten the restoration of the lands to their former state of cultviation than the importation of these cattle. The chemical effect of cattle manure is the best, and the physical improvement that which is most imperative—is just what the devastated farms need most. Here is a good opportunity for banks in these sections of the State to aid in a substantial and lasting way. The advancement of funds to these farmers for the purpose of purchasing pure bred cattle will aid in putting agriculture in their communities on a sounder basis, and will eventually establish an industry which will be of the most permanent nature, both for agricultural and animal breeding purposes.—Raleigh News and Observer.

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INDIA TEA

The Loving Cup

Captain Gwatkin - Williams, Royal Navy, in his book *"In the hands of the Senoussi"* relates an occurrence typical of Turkish disciplinary methods: "Two soldiers having quarreled, their commanding officer smacked both their faces, knocked them down and said if there was any more trouble they would be shot. Relenting later on he sent for and kissed them both and then all drank tea together."

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NIGHT SCHOOLS WILL BE OPENED BY BOARD

Education Board Endorses Plan to Establish School Gardens.

Regular Instruction, Probably Four Evenings Each Week, Will be Provided in Schools in Various Sections of Wilmington.

At the regular monthly meeting of the County Board of Education held yesterday afternoon it was decided to open a number of night schools at the different schools in the city, provided a sufficient number of people who cannot attend the schools in the day time, indicate their desire for instruction at night.

Chairman Woodus Kellum, who presided, and Mr. B. Solomon, who make up the membership of the board as at present constituted, were both in attendance at the meeting. Prof. Washington Catlett acted as secretary. The foregoing action was taken after Superintendent of City School John J. Blair submitted a report upon the proposition, which is a matter the board has had in mind for some time past.

The plan of establishing a model acre or garden in connection with every rural school in New Hanover county was endorsed by the board, and Professor Catlett was authorized to use the school property for this agricultural demonstration work and was also directed to submit to the board an estimate of the approximate cost of establishing and operating these school gardens.

School Gardens.

The board endorsed the plan of conducting a demonstration garden or acre in connection with each of the rural schools in the county, and the necessary arrangements for these gardens will be made at once so that plans can be put in operation without delay.

By having teachers and others skilled in truck gardening give daily instruction in practical agricultural operations to the school children directly and to their parents indirectly, it is believed that within a few years a generation of capable gardeners will be developed.

In other words, the training of the hand will go forward at the same pace as that of the mind. Instead of keeping the children cooped up in school the entire time credit will be given them for work done in the experimental plot. The extent to which the cost of living can be reduced by competition among the pupils to be ranked the best amateur gardeners of their community, it is pointed out, can readily be grasped.

Governor T. W. Bickett has pledged the co-operation of the State in assisting in the making of every rural school a farm life school, and trained and experienced teachers of gardening are assured by the fact that in the future the teacher in every rural school will be required to pass an examination in practical gardening, and will not be allowed to draw a salary save upon certificate that the prescribed course in agriculture has been fully and faithfully taught.

Replying to a report which had been circulated by certain parties to the effect that he had gotten out a petition favoring the appointment of certain men as members of the Board of Education, Mr. B. Solomon said to a reporter for The Star yesterday afternoon: "I have no petitions out, nor do I intend to have any signed."

Night Schools.

In connection with the matter of opening night schools in the city, Chairman Kellum on behalf of the board, stated that he and his associate, Mr. Solomon, had had this matter under consideration for some time, and they wished to state that evening schools would be opened if there is sufficient demand for them. The schools which it is proposed to open are not connected in any way with the "moonlight schools", which have been conducted in the past, it was explained.

Any person desiring to attend night school may leave their name and address at the office of the Board of Education in the Court House, and the schools will be opened in whatever sections of the city that they will benefit the greatest number. Instruction in reading, writing and arithmetic will be included in the course of study, and the schools will be held probably as often as four nights a week.

FEDERAL COURT THIS WEEK

Two Important Admiralty Cases Are Set for Trial

An adjourned fall term of Federal Court will convene here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock with Judge Henry G. Connor, of Wilson, presiding.

Aside from many motions in other matters, which counsel may desire to make to the court, there are only two cases set for trial, both of which will be decided in accordance with the Admiralty law.

The two cases are that of the Wilmington Railway & Bridge Company and others against the Franco-Ottoman S. S. Company, charterers of the Str. "Cromwell" and the Wilmington Towing Company, and that of the Fisheries Products Company, charterers of various tugs, against the Str. "Edilio" in which action is brought for $100,000, in connection with assistance alleged to have been rendered the "Edilio" which was pulled off a bar near the mouth of the Cape Fear river a few weeks ago.

SCHOOL HAS HOLIDAY.

Students of Miss Hart and Miss Brown Honor Mr. Arthur Bluethenthal.

The students of Miss Hart and Miss Brown had yesterday a lesson in "Constructive Patriotism," which took the form of a holiday in appreciation of a former student, Mr. Arthur Bluethenthal, a member of the American Ambulance Corps in Europe, who has brought honor to them, to his home city and to himself by "conspicuous bravery where all are so brave," in the immediate presence of death.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect, Laxative Bromo Quinine can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness nor ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature is on box. 25c.

LATE MAILS BRING PROTEST

Atlantic Coast Line Trains From North Have Been Greatly Delayed Lately—Chamber Acts.

Strong protest against the irregular mail service on Atlantic Coast Line train No. 49 from Norfolk to Wilmington, which missed the mails from the North five successive times last week, was made at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. The secretary was instructed to write the officials of the Coast Line, telling them of the action of the committee, and also to Second Assistant Postmaster General Otto Praeger as well as Congressmen Godwin and Hood.

The delay in the arrival of this train has been a considerable detriment and a great inconvenience to the business interests of the city. Coast Line train No. 41, the morning train from the North, has been on time only twice in 17 days, from January 25th to February 10th, according to information secured from Postmaster H. McL. Green. This train is due at 10:05 but has arrived as late as 1 P. M., and it required considerable time afterwards to distribute the mail. The continual lateness of the morning mails and the uncertainty of the night mail has caused continual complaint from business firms here.

One of the principal causes of the delay, according to Coast Line officials, has been on account of having to wait for connections from the North at Rocky Mount. There has been much snow and sleet in the North which has made it hard to operate trains on schedule time without danger. It is believed that with better weather conditions it will be possible to run the trains on time.

The fact that Wilmington has only two daily mails from the North and the trains that bring them are supposed to connect with the Washington and Charleston trains at Rocky Mount was called to the attention of the Executive committee. The arriving time for the two trains, No. 41 being due at 10:05 and No. 49 at 6:15 P. M., for the past 17 days, as reported by Postmaster Green, is as follows:

	No. 41 A. M.	No. 49 P. M.
January 25th	11:30	O.T.
January 26th	11:40	7:40
January 27th	10:30	*O.T.
January 28th	10:45	6:55
January 29th	11:00	O.T.
January 30th	11:20	O.T.
January 31st	O. T.	7:00
February 1st	11:10	6:25
February 2nd	11:45	O.T.
February 3rd	12:20 P.M.	7:30
February 4th	11:40	8:30
February 5th	O. T.	7:20
February 6th	12:30 P.M.	*6:45
February 7th	10:15	*O.T.
February 8th	11:40	*6:30
February 9th	10:20	*O.T.
January 10th	1:00 P.M.	*O.T.

*—Failed to connect with Washington and Charleston train 89 at Rocky Mount, N. C.

CANNOT PAY RESERVE CORPS

All Other Bills for Expenses of Coast Artillery in Wilmington Have Been Approved by State.

All bills for the expenses of the Coast Artillery Corps in Wilmington during the strike last July have been approved by the State with the exception of the payroll for the W. L. I. Reserve Corps, amounting to $62.70, and some minor changes in the charges for transportation, according to a letter received yesterday by Chairman W. A. McGirt, of the Board of Commissioners, from Acting Adjutant General B. S. Royster.

Maj. W. N. Harriss, clerk of the Superior Court, and a score of other members of the Reserve Corps, were on duty for three days during the strike. What disposition will be made of this payroll had not been determined yesterday. The letter from the acting adjutant general is as follows:

"State of North Carolina, Adjutant General Department,

"Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 10. 1917.

"Chairman Board of Commissioners, New Hanover County, Wilmington, N. C.

"Dear Sir:—Your letter of February 6, 1917, enclosing bills relative to the expense incurred on account of the Coast Artillery service in New Hanover during July, 1916. All bills have been audited and will be paid as soon as some corrections can be procured to transportation claims with the exception of a bill amounting to $62.70, which appears to be payroll of W. L. I. Reserve Corps during the strike, July 8 9, 1916. By direction of the Governor this bill is disapproved and is returned herewith. It is stated for your information that there is no record in this office of such Reserve Corps. The organization designated by law and regulations is the Second Company, C. A. C. of the N. C. N. G.

"It is further stated for your information that reserves were not included in the order ordering the Coast Artillery Corps on duty at Wilmington and therefore there is no authority in law for the payment of the bill.

"Very truly yours,

"B. S. ROYSTER,

"Acting Adjutant General."

Attend Trustees' Meeting.

Ex-Mayor Wm. E. Springer left last night for Raleigh to attend a special meeting of the board of trustees of the North Carolina Methodist Orphanage, of which Rev. A. S. Barnes is superintendent. The meeting is for the consideration of the purchase of additional property, adjoining the orphanage tract, for the extension of the work. Mr. Springer expects to return Wednesday evening.

To Auction Off Property.

James & James, Inc. of this city will offer for sale at noon today, rain or shine, three valuable lots on Third street between Chestnut and Grace. The sale will be conducted by the United Realty Company, and those attending will have an opportunuity of securing valuable souvenirs. Easy term payments will be allowed to the purchasers.

It Will Never Cost Less.

It will later cost more. What? The Royall property on Third street. We sell today. United Realty Co.—(Adv.)

APPOINT COMMITTEES FOR LIVE STOCK SHOW

Directors of Chamber of Commerce Making Preparations.

Bankers and Merchants of State Will be Invited to Attend Exposition in Wilmington Next Month as Well as Farmers.

While farmers and those directly interested in farming are expected to be present in large numbers at the State-Wide Livestock Exposition and Conference in Wilmington next month, the bankers, merchants and other business men of the State will also be invited as it is realized that the encouraging of the growing of livestock is a matter which concerns the prosperity of the country in every way.

Discussion of arrangements for the proposed livestock show and conference was gone into thoroughly at a meeting of the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. Upon recommendation of Mr. Hugh MacRae, chairman of the agricultural and immigration committee, the following committees were appointed to make arrangements for the event:

Bankers' Invitation Committee—C. E. Taylor, chairman, J. W. Yates, F. W. Dick, Thos. E. Cooper, J. F. Roache.

Space and Sanitation Committee—Thos. B. Carroll, chairman; L. B. Sasser, Geo. P. Galvin, J. N. Jacobi, F. W. Garrett and J. L. Becton.

Reception Committee—C. Van Leuven, chairman; Clayton Giles, Jr., W. P. Emerson, J. R. Murchison, W. A. French, E. I. Bear, M. A. Curtis, Jno. H. Brown, Thos. W. Davis and K. O. Burgwin.

Committee on Tabernacle Arrangements—W. H. McEachern, chairman; E. E. Hunter, J. R. Eddy, W. W. Love, G. H. Smith, L. W Moore, L. Stein and W D. MacMillan, Jr.

Merchants' Invitation Committee (wholesale)—H. Lacy Hunt, chairman; J. A. Taylor, J. W. Brooks, L. E. Hall, D. L. Gore, H. E. Boney, H. L. Vollers, L. Bluethenthal, W. E. Perdew.

Merchants' Invitation Committee (retail)—C. W. Poivogt, chairman; L. Lipinsky, J. C. Williams, A. O. Schuster, E. Bancroft, Geo. Honnet, J. M. Solky.

Exhibit Committee—G. A. Cardwell, chairman; H. T. Prosser, W. T. Kyser, and Geo. Reese.

Work Begins Tomorow.

Work will be started tomorrow toward repairing the fourth street bridge, and the work will be rushed until its completion. The contract has been awarded to the Hyman Supply Company, whose bid was $1,538.20. The Wilmington Iron Works submitted a bid of $1,900, and the Cape Fear Machine Works, one for $1,800.

THE B & L MEN PROTEST

Will Send Committee to Raleigh to Appear Before Legislative Committee In Regard to Amendment.

At a conference of representatives of practically all the building and loan associations of the city, held in the office of Mr. Thomas H. Wright on Princess street yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, a committee composed of Messrs. Thos. H. Wright, L. W. Moore, and Maj. Joseph W. Little, was appointed to appear before a legislative committee in Raleigh at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon to protest against the passage of the bill introduced in the legislature having for its object the amendment of chapter 63 of the laws of 1905 of North Carolina, relating to the examination of building and loan, and land and loan associations.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. H. F. Wilder as chairman while Mr. Thomas H. Wright acted as secretary. Resolutions were passed to take the matter up with Representative L. Clayton Grant, the member of the legislature from New Hanover, and to send a committee to appear in person before the legislative committee and protest against the passage of the bill.

It was announced last night that the local building and loan men do not object to the audit system, but merely to the method of auditing. They desire to have their books audited annually, and to have the work done by a local certified public accountant. amendment would provide for an auditing every three years, with the auditors sent here from other points at a greater expense than if done by local accountants.

The local building and loan men are confident that the proposed system would be much more costly to the associations than the one now in force, and as they claim their primary desire is to save money for the stock holders of the association, they cannot agree to the proposed amendment.

Those attending the meeting yesterday afternoon, and the organizations represented were as follows: Col. Walker Taylor, Mechanics; J. O. Reilly, Rural; James H. Taylor, North Carolina Home; Joseph W. Little, Progessive; Thomas H. Wright, Joseph H. Hinton, Co-Operative; H. F. Wilder, C. D. Weeks, Hanover; D. R. Foster, Peoples'; L. W. Moore, Carolina.

PREACHES STRONG SERMON

Singing By Large Choir Is Inspiring Feature of Evangelistic Services.

The nature of sin and its causes was the theme of an inspiring sermon at Immanuel Presbyterian church last night by the pastor, Rev. T. P. Allen, who is conducting a series of evangelistic services. There was a large attendance and all joined enthusiastically in the singing of Gospel hymns under the leadership of the large choir, which is being directed by Mr. E. B. Johnson.

Services will be held each night this week beginning promptly at 7:30 o'clock with a half hour song service preceding the sermon. The public is cordially invited to attend.

C. H. Fore & Co., are Showing a very striking selection of fancy voiles.—(Adv.)

PROBLEM OF WAYWARD CHILD

Judge Bond Believes That Place Should Be Provided For Youthful Offenders—Conditions Here.

What to do with wayward children is a problem that is more and more engaging the attention of the courts and the legislators not only in North Carolina but throughout country. With a view of getting together expert opinion on the subject, yesterday's News and Observer presented short articles from Superior court judges, written at the request of the editor of the paper.

Judge Bond, who is now presiding over the Superior court in New Hanover, thinks that if possible a place should be provided for youthful offenders but is not inclined to recommend other changes in the present system. Says Judge Bond:

"Your letter asking suggestions from the Superior court judges as to supposed legislation that will look forward toward the forming of youthful defendants, received.

"I am glad to say that during my short experience on the bench, I have had very few youthful defendants before me. I have used to some extent, where they were of tender age and not hardened, the parole system and in some cases have suspended the judgment, and put them in custody of proper parties, requiring them to appear at one or more subsequent terms to show how they had behaved in the mean time. I am not sufficiently informed as to the working capacity of the Jackson Training School to express any acute opinion or suggestion as to how existing condition could be improved. I appreciate your efforts in this direction, and can only add that if a place with sufficient room and capacity could be fixed by the state, where the youthful and more hardened defendants could be sent, it would perhaps be in line with your wish, that of myself, and other citizens of the state, that we reform, youthful defendants so far as possible, rather than leaving them to develop as criminals, and then to invite harsher punishment at the hands of the court. From the limited acquaintance which I have with such matters, I incline to the belief that with the one exception above suggested for use in dealing with those who show strongly criminal tendencies that the laws as they now stand, if their spirit is complied with, in my judgment, are about as well as we can fix them. I regret to say I have not sufficient acquaintance with the operation of Juvenile courts to have any clear cut views upon the subject.

"This reply is written as a matter of courtesy to our inquiry, and not to evidence in any way any desire on my part to thrust any views which might have upon the members of the legislature, because know that body is composed of high class and able men, whose views upon the question asked are in every way worth as much as any views could have upon the subject."

In reviewing what the different cities of the State have done for wayward children, Gilbert T. Stephenson, Esq., of the Winston-Salem bar, in yesterday's Observer says of Wilmington:

"Wilmington has no detention place for children awaiting trial, except the county jail or police station. But the officers are instructed to keep children in separate apartments from adults when that is possible. All juvenile offenders are tried at separate sessions of the recorder's court and generally in the office of the recorder instead of the court room the regular session of court being held in the morning and the juvenile sesion in the afternoon. Wilmington has two volunteer probation officers, a white and a colored man, appointed by the recorder and serving without pay. Wilmington has no reformatory. Unless the child is considered incorrigible, he is placed in the custody of a probation officer who reports to the court as to his behavior and progress. f the child becomes unmanageable by the probation officer, he is sent to the county stockade and there paroled in the custody of the superintendent."

MARY PICKFORD'S SECOND BIG PRODUCTION AT VICTORIA.

"The Pride of the Clan" Furnishes Plenty of Entertainment.

Mary Pickford's second big Artcraft production, at the Victoria yesterday and today, is a picture that is good to look upon. "The Pride of the Clan" is sweet, wholesome, moving. Practically all of it is in the wide outdoors; and the exteriors are of the upper half of the New England shore, where the ocean smashes into real rocks.

Mary Pickford has as Margaret MacTavish in "The Pride of the Clan" a story made of her own cloth and to her own measure. It gives her full opportunity to bring into play the varying moods of which she is mistress—of sunshine and shadow, of playfulness and of struggle against impending death. There is romance, too, of the happy sort, in which Margaret shows a deep insight into real emotional talent. It is worth noting, too, that in its entire length of 7,000 feet, there is no trace of the "villain" that disgraces so many of our screen productions.

SUPERIOR COURT TODAY.

Will Re-Convene Here This Morning for Trial of Pending Case.

Superior Court for the trial of civil causes will resume its sittings here this morning at 9:30 o'clock, with Judge W. M. Bond, of Edenton, presiding. Upon the convening of court, the trial of the case of Mr. J. P. Quelch and others against Mr. D. K. Futch, which has been in progress for the past few days, will be resumed.

The foregoing action involves title to a valuable tract of 40 acres of land in the immediate vicinity of the Wrightsboro station. Like most lawsuits about land it is a long drawn-out proceeding. For this reason, Maj. W. N. Harriss, Clerk of the Superior Court, has notified all jurors and witnesses summoned to appear on Monday, February 12th, that they need not appear until Wednesday, February 14th, at 9:30 A. M. This notice applies only to the jurors and witnesses summoned to appear on Monday, February 12th.

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"Inside" Information About Eczema

Washing the skin, rubbing salves and lotions on it, will not cure your Eczema. You may temporarily relieve the constant itching, but if you want to get at the seat of the trouble, you must purify your blood.

Infected blood is dangerous, and when the watery sores and pimples appear, you should lose no time in procuring a bottle of S. S. S.

This great remedy, which was discovered over fifty years ago, will wash out and strengthen your blood, and the annoying and disfiguring eruptions of the skin will disappear, and you will soon feel healthy and vigorous again.

S. S. S. being purely vegetable, is entirely free from all "dope" and drugs; get it at your druggist's and insist upon the genuine. For free, expert advice, write to our Medical Department, Swift Specific Co., 307 Swift Building, Atlanta, Ga.

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ROTARY COUNTY FAIR AND CABARET—THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

Funds to be used in the Rotary Club's Civic Improvement Work only. Many of Wilminton's Foremost Young Ladies and Gentlemen.

Latest Song Hits—Aeroplane Waltz—Spanish Dancing Girls—Minstrels Dialogues.

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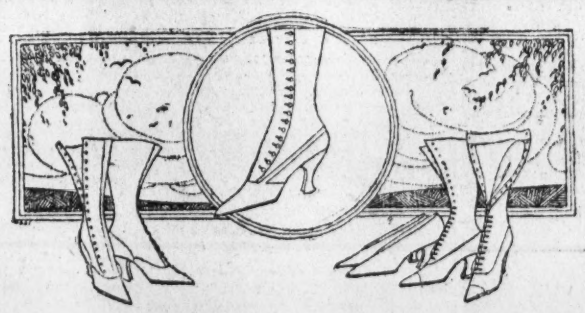

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

L'Ariosa German Club will give a dance for its members at the Boys' Brigade armory tonight.

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The Lydia Yates Bible class of Grace Methodist church will hold its regular monthly business meeting tonight at 3 o'clock at the church.

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Circles Nos. 1 and 2 of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, will meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Stewart, No. 106 Castle street.

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The Linen Auxiliary of the James Walker Memorial Hospital will meet at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning in the directors' room of the Wilmington Savings & Trust Company instead at the same hours this morning.

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All young ladies who are expecting to attend the Valentine party at the Y. W. C. A., are requested to respond to their invitations, in order that the hostesses may know how many will accept.

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The Valentine and tacky party of the B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church will be held in the church at Fifth and Market streets at 8 o'clock this evening. A delightful salad course will be served, and a good time is assured all who attend. All who are admitted must be dressed tackily.

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The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the church parlors. At 5:15 Miss Taylor will address the society, and all ladies of the congregation are invited to hear her.

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As next Saturday will be the last Saturday before Lent, the series of tournaments of auction bridge at the Cape Fear Country Club will be suspended at that time. Miss Stevenson and Miss Poisson will be in charge of the event. Mrs. E. C. Hines won the prize in tournament last Saturday afternoon.

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The Wayside Tea Room under the auspices of the Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters and Sons will be opened this afternoon at the junction of the Wrightsville and Masonboro roads at Winter Park. It will be open each afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock. The work of the Hospital Circle for the free wards of the James Walker Memorial Hospital and the Stonewall Jackson Training school at Concord, N. C., is of universal interest and appeal.

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The Helen Alexander League will hold its supper and meeting at 6 o'clock Thursday evening. The topic for the meeting will be the "Preservation of Health." Those expecting to attend are requested to register at the Atlantic Coast Line offices, the Y. W. C. A., the Bon Marche, or the cashier's desk at Kress' or Woolworth's by noon today, at which time the books will be closed.

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CORNELIUS HARNETT SCHOOL WILL HAVE CONCERT TONIGHT.

All patrons and friends of the Cornelius Harnett school are expected to attend the concert that is to be given in the school building at 8 o'clock tonight for the benefit of the school improvement fund. An attractive programme has been arranged, and an enjoyable time is promised to all who attend. The programme includes songs, recitations, readings, dances, etc.

A BLIND MAN'S APPEAL

Mr. J. F. Meares Says It Is Little That He Gets At the Best.

It is little that he gets at the best, says Mr. J. F. Meares, the blind man, who for a number of years has been a familiar sight on the streets of Wilmington as he sits and grinds out familiar hymns on a hand organ, and since it has been cold and disagreeable it has been impossible for him to get out.

He has written The Star a note in which he states his keen regret in having to make a public appeal. "Will you please call the attention of the people to the old blind man that works with the little organ on the streets for his support when is able to get out, he writes. "It is very little that I can get at the best of times when I stay out.

"There are only a few, and they are a long ways apart, who respond to my call. It is a blessing to everyone that gives a helping hand to me or wil be when our blessings and rewards are counted one by one and balanced up."

OVERWORKED MOTHER

Had Nervous Break-down, Made Well by Vinol.

Collinsville, Ill.—"I suffered from a nervous break-down and terrible headaches, and was tired all over, totally worn out and discouraged, but as I had a large family I had to work despite my suffering. I saw Vinol advertised and decided to try it, and within two weeks I noticed a decided improvement, and now I am a well woman."—Mrs. Ana Becker.

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One package proves it. Sold and guaranteed by above Vinol druggist.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Robert S. Bridgers, of New Mexico, a former resident of Wilmington, is visiting in the city.

—Rev. S. B. Turrentine, D. D., president of Greensboro College for Women, was a guest yesterday at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. D. L. Gore, who has been in a hospital at Baltimore, for treatment, has returned home much improved in health, his many friends will be glad to learn.

—K. C. Sidbury, Esq., formerly a member of the Wilmington bar, who is now practicing law at Hopewell, Va., is spending a few days in the city on business.

—Among the arrivals at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday were N. N. Royall, Rocky Mount; W. H. Matthews, Greensboro; E. McN. Carr, Rose Hill; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cottle, Willard; J. B. McGurley, Fort Caswell; B. A. Roberts, Raleigh; J. C. McManus, E. C. Heckman, Charlotte.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were E. W. Godwin, Jr., H. F. Brown, Point Caswell; F. H. Bird, Greensboro; N. O'Berry, Goldsboro; S. T. Womack, Scotland Neck; Rodolph Duffy, Catherine Lake; J. Sprunt Newton, Fayetteville; George Wheeler, P. W. Jones, Charlotte.

LOCAL DOTS

—The Rotary Club will hold its regular semi-monthly meeting today at 1 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. The usual mid-day luncheon will be served.

—Only one deed was filed yesterday in the office of the register, it being property on Pennsylvania Drive, from H. C. Mason to Isaac Hines, for $10 and other considerations.

—Sparks from a chimney at No. 115 Meares street shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, slightly damaged a one-story frame ersidence occupied by R. A. Harts. The prompt arrival of the firemen probably saved the building from being completely destroyed.

—The Colored Civic Improvement League will hold its regular monthly meeting at St. Stephen's A. M. E. church tonight at 8 o'clock. All the officers and members are expected to be present. There will be short talks from several interested friends.

—At the regular weekly meeting of the Wilmington Ministers' Association yesterday morning at the Y. M. C. A., interesting papers were read by Rev. W. R. Noe on "Why I Believe In a Ritual For Public Worship" and by Rev. H. W. Koelling on "Why I Do Not Believe In a Ritual For Public Worship."

—Mr. Robert Tucker, a contractor of Wilmington, has been awarded the contract by the Board of Education of Sampson county for the erection of a new High school building at Newton Grove, N. C., for the sum of $5,200. Work has already been started on the building and is to be completed by May 1st. It will have six class rooms, library, music room and auditorium.

ANNUAL REPORT SHOWS THAT ST. ANDREW'S IS FLOURISHING

Presbyterian Church Had One of Best Years In Its History

More members were received into membership in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church during the year just closed, than in any year of its history, according to the annual report of the session, which has just been distributed in folder form.

The report shows that a total of 138 new members were received during the year. Of this number 111 came by examination and direct profession of faith while 27 were received by letter from other churches.

Only 35 members were dismissed to other churches, and a majority of these were to other Presbyterian churches in the vicinity of Wilmington. This makes a net gain for the year of 103. This of course does not include those removed by reason of death. The total membership of the church is now 595, of whom 550 reside in the vicinity of Wilmington.

Reports from other branches of the church service, also showed that the church had a very successful year in all departments. The report of the treasurer showed all bills paid. The Sunday School report indicated an average attendance of 220 each Sunday while the reports from all other departments were equally encouraging.

These reports were made at a recent congregational meeting held by the church.

MR. HERRING WILL HAVE OFFICE IN WILMINGTON

Quarters For Farm Demonstrator Secured In The Pythian Building

Arrangements have been practically completed for the opening of an office in the Pythian building on Princess street by Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator. Mr. Herring will have his headquarters here and will keep all his records here. It is also planned to have an exhibit room in connection with the office for the display of such farm products as may be collected by Mr. Herring. All the latest bulletins and booklets issued by the Agricultural Department will be filed here for reference purposes.

The need of an office for Mr. Herring has long been evident and has been discussed from time to time by the Board of Commissioners. It was first planned to open an office in the basement of the Court House but there was no available and it has now been decided to lease quarters.

No Clue to Thief.

Although the police department has been making diligent efforts to locate the thief who made away with the automobile belonging to Mr. W. P. Cline from the street in front of Dr. Charles T. Nesbitt's residence on Dock street, Sunday night, they have as yet been unable to secure any clue to the identity of the miscreant. It is understood that the damage to the car was covered by insurance.

Today! Today!

The Royall place at Third and Chestnut will be sold at auction. Souvenirs. Be sure and attend. United Realty Co.
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EXPECT TO PREPARE FOR WAR

At Enthusiastic Meeting Red Cross Society Resolves to Hold Mass Meeting to Outline Plans.

Just what course will be pursued by the local chapter of the American Red Cross Society, in event that the United States and Germany become involved in war, will be outlined at a mass meeting to be held by the Red Cross Society at an early date. This decision was reached at the special meeting of the society held in the Germania Hall at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

Resolutions were also passed at the meeting that a speedy campaign be inaugurated to increase the membership in the local branch or the society to 1,000. Vice President Thomas P. Noe and Mesdames A. M. Waddell and J. Victor Grainger, Sr., were appointed a committee to select another committee of twelve ladies and gentlemen from affiliated organizations to outline at the proposed mass meeting the policies and plans of the Red Cross and its kindred societies.

The members of the committee to make arrangements for the mass meeting were announced last night and are as follows: Rev. Thos. P. Noe, acting chairman; W. D. MacMillan, Jr., L. Bluethenthal, Dr. James Sprunt, Col. Walker Taylor, J. W. H. Fuchs, H. C. McQueen, Hon. George Rountree, M. F. H. Gouverneur, M. J. Corbett, W. M. Atkinson, Mrs. W. L. Parsley, Mrs. S. Solomon, Mrs. R. C. Cantwell, Mrs. A. M. Waddell, Mrs. S. Mendelsohn, Mrs. B. T. Hopkins, Miss J. D. Wood.

This committee will meet Friday at noon in the directors' room of the Murchison National Bank building to arrange for the meeting, which will be held some time next week.

The campaign for the additional memberships was placed in the hands of a committee composed of Mrs. Walter Parsley, Miss Lucile Murchison, Mrs. T. J. King, Mrs. S. Solomon and Mrs. M. L. Stover. Quite a number signified their desire to join the society at the meeting yesterday morning.

A letter from Mr. Elliott Wadsworth, acting chairman of the National Red Cross, was read at the meeting which contained a number of valuable suggestions. One of these was that the local branch secure the names of all societies that would co-operate with the Red Cross in event of war, and a list of motor vehicles that would be volunteered for governmental service. It was also suggested that the local branch have a number of representatives ready for training for field service.

The society extended a vote of thanks to the Germania Club for the use of their hall as a meeting place.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE IS ADVERTISING LIVESTOCK SHOW

All Papers Throughout This Section To Advertise Special Rates.

Advertisement of special passenger rates to Wilmington for the State-Wide Livestock Exposition and Conference, March 28-29, will be published in all the papers of this section by the Atlantic Coast Line within a few days. It is understod that the rates will be made quite attractive and should insure a large attendance. Mr. W. J. Craig, passenger traffic manager for the Coast Line, is sending letters to the editors, asking for their co-operation in bringing this statewide movement to the attention of the public. Following is a copy of the letter:

"Dear Sir:

We will send you an advertisement in a few days publishing special rates to Wilmington, N. C., for the "State-Wide Live Stock Exposition and Conference," to be held on March 28-29, 1917.

"This Conference will be an epoch in live stock affairs in North Carolina and the complete success of the Conference and Exposition will mean a great deal to you and your community. It offers a splendid opportunity for education, and for the stimulation of active interest in live stock among our people, leading to increased community wealth.

"We will appreciate your co-operation in bringing this statewide movement to the attention of the public.

"Yours very truly,
"W. J. CRAIG,
Passenger Traffic Manager."

Negro Found Dead

John Edwards, a trusted colored employe of the Atlantic Coast Line for many years, was found dead at his home, No. 806 McRae street at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. Investigation by Coroner Holden, Sheriff Jackson and County Officer Godwin brought out the fact that he died from natural causes. He went home sick Friday night and had not been attended by a physician.

NARCOTIC THIEVES HERE

John W. Higgins and Wife Arrested on Charge of Being Implicated in Taking of Drugs from Offices.

An effort is being made by Wilmington officers to locate the thieves, believed to be "dope fiends," who have recently carried off all the narcotics and hypodermic syringes from the offices of many physicians and dentists in the city. A secret service agent of the Federal government has been requested to come to the city to make an investigation.

John W. Higgins and wife, who have been staying at a Front street boarding house for the past two weeks, were arrested last night by United States Deputy Collector J. R. Kennedy and Policeman D. W. Coleman on a charge of violating the Harrison narcotic act, which prohibits the selling of cocaine and other similar drugs except on a physician's prescription. The warrant was sworn out by Deputy Collector Kennedy. They were given a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner A. S. Williams and released on bond.

Among the physicians and dentists who have reported the stealing of narcotics from their offices are Drs. E. S. Bulluck, R. B. Slocumb, Tate Moore, M. H. P. Clark, and N. A. Culbreth.

The physicians believe that their offices have been entered while they were out attending patients by "dope fiends" who proceed to make a thorough search of the place until they are able to find the drugs and the necessary appliances. In one or two instances physicians report that suspicious persons have come to them and asked to have the narcotics administered.

SHAKE INTO YOUR SHOES
Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder to be shaken into the shoes and sprinkled in the footbath. It relieves painful, swollen, smarting feet and takes the sting out of corns and bunions. Nothing gives such quick and permanent relief for sweating, callous, tired, aching feet as Allen's Foot-Ease, the standard remedy for 28 years. Sold by Druggists everywhere, 25c. Always use it to Break in new shoes. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

—Mr. C. J. Mendelsohn, of New York, who has been visiting his parents, Rabbi and Mrs. S. Mendelsohn, has returned home.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 1, A. F. & A. M.

Stated communication this (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock, sharp, for the purpose of considering business properly to be presented. All members are earnestly requested to attend. Visiting brothers will be given the glad hand of welcome.

By order of the Master.
A. S. HOLDEN,
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An Advance Showing of
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SPORTS

HANSON WON FROM NASSER

Syrian Grappler Injured Shoulder By Fall From Mat—Pink Gardner Will Appear Here Tomorrow.

His shoulder bruised and sprained by a fall through the ropes to the floor, Joe Nasser, the Syrian wrestler, lost two straight falls to Fritz Hanson at Woolvin Hall last night. The local man took the first fall in 25 minutes with a head scissors and wrist lock and the second in five and a quarter minutes with the same hold.

For the first 15 minutes of the bout last night it was a fast and furious affair. The two men went at each other with bulldog determination, and it looked like the hardest fought and most stubborn battle of the year. After 15 minutes of wrestling both men fell through the ropes to the floor locked in a deadly embrace, and Nasser's right shoulder striking the floor with terrific force, was severely bruised.

After 25 minutes of rest the game Syrian climbed back into the ring and resumed the bout, but it was apparent that he was sorely handicapped, and in barely five minutes more Fritz had pinned his shoulders to the mat.

The second fall was a repetition of the last stages of the first, and was scarcely more than a fight against time by the doomed wrestler. Fritz easily pinned him for the second time with the same hold in five and a quarter minutes.

The fans were greatly disappointed over the injury to Nasser, as they were confident the invader would give Hanson the toughest battle of his career. The first few minutes of the struggle justified their hopes, for Nosser proved a wizard on the defensive.

Fritz took the offensive from the start, and while his wonderful science and cool tactics prevented him from getting in any real dangerous positions, the Syrian's superior strength and agility prevented him from making much headway towards winning the fall. Until after Nasser's injury Fritz found it practically impossible to catch the Spartanburg man with a hammerlock.

Many of the spectators expressed a desire to see Fritz and Nasser in another match, but no arrangements have as yet been made for the bout.

It was announced from the ringside that Pink Gardner the Charlotte crack would meet Fritz here tomorrow night. This is expected to be one of the hottest scraps of the season. Hanson leaves this morning for Columbia where he meets Max Schmidt, of New Bern tonight.

Gunner McGurley, of Fort Caswell, refereed the match last night.

IN RECORDER'S COURT.

Number of Cases Were Continued Until Today at Yesterday's Session.

William McRay, the negro who knocked down and painfully injured little Nathan Jacobi on North Front street Saturday night, was convicted of reckless riding in the Recorder's court yesterday morning and fined $10 and costs.

Frank Graham and George Patterson, two small colored boys who were arrested late Saturday afternoon, charged with stealing a bicycle, were before the juvenile session of the court yesterday afternoon, and while no sentence has as yet been passed upon them, it is understood they will be paroled in the care of Probation Officer James Johnston for a period of six months each.

Other cases disposed of yesterday were: Sam McRay, colored, nuisance three months on the roads; Rudolph Dixon, colored, violating the driving ordinance, costs; Tom Weaver, colored, larveny, found guilty of receiving stolen goods, three months on the roads; H. M. Solomon, white, violating driving ordinance, costs.

The following cases were continued, all the defendants being colored: Sam Merrick, operating a car while drunk; Sam Merrick and Susie Robertson, violating prohibition ordinance; Rudolph Dixon, violating driving ordinance; Samuel Thompson, violating driving ordinance; Richard Williams, violating driving ordinance.

WILMINGTON JUNIORS WILL GIVE FLAG TO BOLTON SCHOOL

Presentation Exercises Take Place Today—C. C. Cashwell, Esq., Orotor.

Representatives of George Washington and Jeff Davis Councils, Junior Ored of United American Mechanics, will go to Bolton on the early train today to take part in the presentation of a flag and Bible to the High School of that place for the two Wilmington councils. Claude C. Cashwell, Esq., of this city, will be the orator of the occasion. It is expected that the local Councils will be represented by a half dozen or more Juniors.

The exercises will take place at the school building this morning at 10 o'clock. The flag will be raised by the school children with appropriate exercises. The Wilmington Juniors will return to this city on the noon train.

WILSON ASSURED OF SUPPORT OF 3,000,000 ENDEAVORERS.

Chicago, Feb. 12.—Support of 3,000,000 members of Christian Endeavor societies is assured President Wilson in case of war and more than 500,000 young persons of this number will volunteer for military service and hospital work, it was said today by Daniel A. Polins, assicate president, addressing a meeting of leaders of the United Society of Christian Endeavor.

From Beauty News

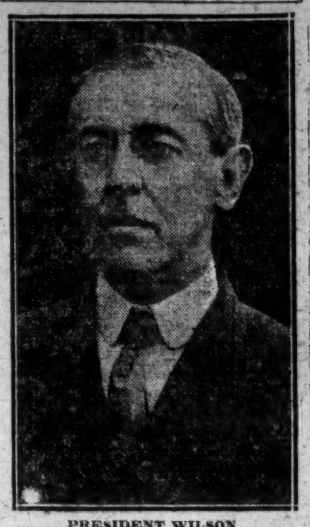
HAVE A BEAUTIFUL COMPLEXION AND ROSY CHEEKS.

New York—"Madame Marlee says if you wish to have a complexion, marvelous for its clearness, pinky whiteness and softness, it will be produced by the liberal use of rosetone. Simply rub this cream on the face in the morning, let the cream dry on the face and repeat this again at night."

Just secure an ounce of rosetone from Greene's Drug Store and try this treatment at once. You will be surprised at the remarkable results it will produce in a few days.

Special Notice — Madame Marlee says that she has used rosetone in many cases of poor bust development with remarkable results. It should not be rubbed into the bust unless a well rounded, firm bust is desired.

EYES OF WORLD ON HIM.



PRESIDENT WILSON

MUNITIONS STORED ABOARD INTERNED GERMAN CRUISER

The Geier Set on Fire by Crew—Merchantmen's Boilers Damaged.

Honolulu, Feb. 4. (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—Machine guns and ammunition were found stored aboard the German interned cruiser Geier, which was set on fire here today by her crew. At the time the Geier interned her commander was ordered to turn over all hir arms and ammunition to United States naval authorities.

A number of German merchantmen, laid up here, have been incapacitated by fires built by the crews under empty boilers. This work, it was admitted, was started four days ago, on advices received by cable from the mainland.

Late tonight a sailor of the big North German Lloyd steamer Pommern was found hiding in the bunkers of the vessel which had been damaged to the estimated extent of $150,000 by the fires her crew started. He was arrested.

BANDIT ROBS LOUISIANA BANK OF $30,000 AND ESCAPES

Bank Officer and Others Left Locked in Vault for an Hour.

Winnsboro, La., Feb. 12. — A masked man tonight entered the Franklin State Bank here, forced S. Hetherwick, vice-president of the bank, and District Judge S. R. Holstein into the vault at the point of a revolver, and compelled them to fill a sack with currency and pass it out to him. The robber then locked the vault door and escaped with a sum estimated at nearly $30,000. A screw driver, found by one of the imprisoned men, furnished the means for their release, after they had spent nearly an hour in the almost airless vault.

SECRETARY LANSING SENDS AN APPEAL TO THE CUBANS.

Not to Plunge Their Country Into Another Revolution.

Washington, Feb. 12.—An appeal to the Cubans not to plunge their country into another revolution has been sent to Havana by Secretary Lansing. Aroused to the realization that the contested presidential election in Cuba already had increased the incipient stage of rebellion, the State Department decided to issue to the people an urgent injunction to await the outcome of the voting and to abide by the decisions of their courts.

The communication was sent to the American minister with the instruction to have it published throughout the island.

LINCOLN CELEBRATION AT CUMBERLAND GAP ENDED.

Two Hundred Thousand Dollars Pledged to University Endowment.

Cumberland Gap, Tenn., Feb. 12.—The three days' celebration of Lincoln's birthday and the 20th anniversary of the Lincoln Memorial University ended here tonight. It was announced that $200,000 had been pledged to the university's $1,000,000 endowment fund.

Resolutions were unanimously adopted pledging support to President Wilson in the present international crisis. Male students of the university also adopted resolutions to enlist in the event of war.

The principal address of the afternoon session was delivered by former Senator Towne, of Minnesota.

MINIMUM ESTIMATE OF DEAD IN HOTEL FIRE PLACED AT 10.

Will Take Several Days to Clear Ice-Covered Wreckage.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 12.—One body, burned beyond recognition, was dug today from the ice covered debris of the Kenwood Hotel, where police and fire departments estimate that at least ten persons lost their lives early today. It will be several days before the wreckage is cleared and it has been impossible to ascertain how many of the 70 guests escaped or to learn the names of the missing. Two persons are known to be dead, Mrs. Lucile Squire having been killed in jumping from her bedroom.

SERIES OF LECTURES

Pastor of Central Baptist Church, Colored, Preaches Sermon.

The series of lectures and sermons and lectures at the Central colored Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. D. B. McDonona, B. Th., B. D., are now in progress. On last Sunday morning the pastor preached on the subject, "Peace Be Still." The congregation was greatly impressed by the discourse.

On Sunday night Rev. J. A. Kirkland, D. D., who is assisting the pastor, preached on the subject, "Why Are We Being Destroyed?" His answer to this question was a lack of knowledge. He emphasized the need of loyalty to the race, mankind, the country and to God. The need of practical knowledge as well as that of spiritual understanding was pointed out.

GERARD THANKED FOR SERVICE IN BEHALF OF BRITISH PEOPLE

London, Feb. 12.—"The gratitude and the thanks of the nation," have been conveyed b ythe British government to James W. Gerard, former American ambassador at Berlin, for his work on behalf of British civilians and prisoners of war in Germany. Foreign Secretary Balfour made this announcement today in the house of commons.

War News Summary

Considerable fighting between the British and Germans in the Ancre region of France continues. Again the British have attacked the Germans north of the river in the vicinity of the Beaucourt-Puisieux road and captured about six hundred yards of trenches. At Serre, midway between Beaucourt and Puisieux, the Germans delivered an attack against the British, but were repulsed, according to the British war office.

Berlin, on the other hand, says the British in attacks against wrecked German trenches from Serre to the river, were repulsed, suffering heavy casualties. It is admitted, however, that a trench southeast of Serre, which had been rendered unserviceable, was evacuated, but before the British offensive was launched. On the remainder of the front, bombardments and minor operations have taken place.

On the Russian front the Germans have attacked the Russian lines at several points and succeeded on two sectors in entering Russian trenches, only later to be driven out, according to Petrograd. The Berlin war office announces a successful encounter for the Germans against the Russians west of Lutsk.

The recapture by the Italians of positions taken from them last week in the Gorizia zone by the Austrians, is told of in the Italian official communication. More than 100 men were made prisoner in the engagement.

On none of the other fronts has there been any fighting of great moment.

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL IS VIRTUALLY COMPLETED IN HOUSE

Contains Authority to Take Over Shipbuilding Plants in Crisis.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Consideration of the annual bill, appropriating about $365,000,000 to continue the building program and carrying various emergency provisions requested by the administration to meet the international crisis, virtually was completed in the House today, and the bill will be brought to a final vote tomorrow.

Under a special rule an administration amendment giving authority to take over private shipbuilding plants in time of stress was adopted, and the construction authorization for the coming year as agreed on in committee was approved after various amendments to enlarge and curtail it had been voted down. The section authorizes one battle vruiser, three battleships, 18 submarines and 20 vessels of other types.

SEABOARD PASSENGER TRAINS MEET IN HEAD-ON COLLISION

Baggageman Slightly Injured in the Wreck Near LaCrosse, Va.

LaCrosse, Va., Feb. 12.—Seaboard Air Line passenger trains No. 3, southbound, and No. 14, northbound, met in head-on collision just south of Hagood Siding, six miles south of LaCrosse, at 8 o'clock tonight, and one man, the baggageman, name unlearned, was slightly injured and comparatively slight damage was done to each of the locomotives. At 10 o'clock tonight the track had not been cleared of the blockade. The accident, it was said, was the result of overlooking of telegraphic train orders to meet at Hagood on the part of train No. 3.

SPANISH GOVERNMENT IMPOSES CENSORSHIP OF THE WAR NEWS

All "One-Sided News" Must be Submitted to Minister of Interior

Paris, Feb. 12.—The Temps' Madrid correspondent sends the following statement made to Madrid journalists by the Spanish minister of the interior: "I recommend formally that the press abstain from every sort of campaign against such or such belligerent. I want all one-sided news submitted to me, so as to prevent the publication of news not confirmed by official information. This measure is dictated by the interests of the nation, which will have recourse to the previous censorship. The propagators of false news will be severely punished."

COUNT AND COUNTESS VON BERNSTORFF BID FAREWELL

To a Host of Personal Friends Made During Eight Years in America.

Washington, Feb. 12. — Count and Countess von Bernstorff said farewell today to a host of personal friends made during their eight years in Washington. All day there was a stream of callers at the embassy, and late this afternoon a number of intimate friends were entertained at tea. The former ambassador, his wife and the embassy staff will leave Washington for New York late tomorrow night, to sail for home Wednesday on the Danish liner Frederick VIII.

PEACE ADVOCATES PROTEST

Hundreds From Eastern Cities Pull Off Demonstrations in Washington

Washington, Feb. 12.—Several hundred peace advocates from New York and other eastern cities, members of the Emergency Peace Federation, held a mass meeting here tonight as the concluding feature of a day of demonstrations and petitions to members of Congress and the White House on behalf of Senator LaFollette's resolution providing a refrendum on war.

SOUTH CAROLINA MILL WILL INCREASE WAGES 10 PER CENT

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 12. — The Ware Shoals Manufacturing Company has announced a 10 per cent. increase in wages. Approximately 800 cotton mill operatives are affected.

TWO BRITISH STEAMERS SAIL WITH AMERICANS IN CREWS

Newport News, Va., Feb. 12.—The British steamers Hebburn and Lexington steamed from this port today for the European war zone with Americans in their crews. The Lexington, loaded with horses, has on board seventy white American muleteers and the Hebburn with a general cargo has one American in her crew. The Hebburn is bound for Falmouth for orders and the Lexington for Avonmouth. The British steamer Oceano steamed for Bordeaux but had no American vcitizens in her crew.

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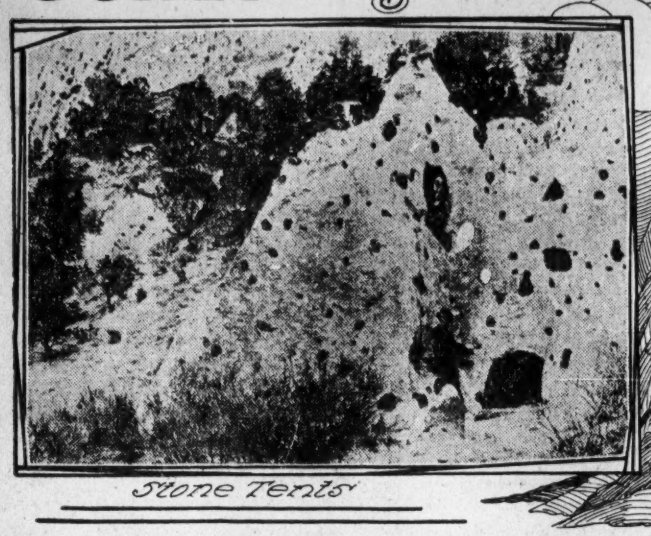

Stone Tents

Puye Cliff

Cliff Rooms Along a Narrow Ledge in a Canyon

Pictographs

Stone Carving by Indians

Ruins As Ancient As Those of Babylon and Nineveh To Be Seen in New Mexico - Relics of the Stone Age Now Being Unearthed.

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AMERICA has been regarded as a new country discovered a few centuries ago, as a vast territory of waste land stretching over thousands of miles east and west and north and south, inhabited by bands of indolent and savage Indians. But the area west of the Mississippi is still younger in the annals of history as little was known about it even a hundred years ago, and yet as the searching and scrutinizing eye of science has explored the deserts and the ravines of our great Southwest unmistakable evidences of the existence of a race or races of people have been discovered which convince us that perhaps whilst Greece and Rome and Egypt and Assyria were working out their problems toward progress and civilization there dwelt in southwestern United States a people who have left traces of a civilization as far advanced as their contemporaries in the old countries, and who knew how to provide for their needs and comforts by ways and means superior to those in the countries of Biblical history. And yet this strange people is no more, having left almost buried amid the rocks and sands of ages the marks of their existence from which the scientists will be able to build an authentic theory of their manners and customs and the degree of civilization they reached at a period perhaps as remote as the wanderings of Abraham on the plains of Mesopotamia.

A Civilized Race.

A number of homes occupied by these people are still extant in a valley and plateau near Santa Fe, New Mexico, where the remarkable stone tents are to be found, cliff houses once inhabited by people who knew how to fashion the most beautiful pottery, and how to weave cloth, and who lived in communities—the latter being proven by the number of rooms in each cave or stone tent. They even buried their dead in the far back chambers of their cliff homes. Only a few years ago the archaeologists who were exploring the ruins came upon the body of a woman garbed in a curious woven cloth like burlap and beaver skin. How long the body had been buried in its cave grave no one may even conjecture, and the scientists' guesses vary all the way from 8,000 B. C. to 400 A. D.

Whether these people lived entirely in the stone tents or whether they spent a part of the time on the plateau above is a question. However, their agricultural pursuits must have been carried out on the plateau as there were evidences of irrigation in this section long before the work was taken up by the United States Government. The cement or clay used by the ancient people is of a kind that is most difficult to destroy, it being far more durable than that used in the present day. That they went to and from the cliffs is evidenced by the worn trail which leads to the stone tent city. None of the Indians who live in the vicinity know anything of the trail except that it "has always been there." The same is said of the pictographs painted on the rocks. They have always been there, and the Indians do not understand them any better than the archaeologists who are endeavoring to fit things together and at least learn a part of the history of this strange race who disappeared from earth in some prehistoric time.

One might wander for months in the Rito de los Frijoles canyon and find a different kind of cave each day with different decoration.

Ceremonial Cave.

There is a high arched cave hundreds of feet up the side of the canyon which is known as the "Ceremonial Cave." This particular ruin has been in a measure restored. This restoration means digging out the earth that has been washed into the cave for thousands of years. All the caves were at one time plastered in a sort of adobe stucco, and when this is reached and the wooden beams of the arched ceiling found the restoration ends. It is the aim of the scientists to put the caves in the same condition as when they were inhabited. The floors are covered with a sort of cement and it is necessary to dig down several feet before the real floor is found. It was during this digging that many excellent specimens of pottery were found.

At another place there is a cave containing a large number of rooms. Over the entrance and around the roof is the painting of a huge plumed serpent. The scientists are of the opinion that the serpent was regarded as the guardian of the pools and springs, and for this reason the men who cared for the water supply used the emblem over their home. This cave contains fireplaces which may have been for the sacred fires regarded by the ancients with such veneration. There are urns for meal and water, and stones upon which the corn was ground.

Stone Tents.

Any number of smaller canyons exist in this section and in these some of the most interesting caves exist. They are found in clusters and at two general levels; that is, at the top of a long, steep slope of the talus and exceedingly difficult of access. About half a mile up the Otowi Canyon is a cliff village unlike any other in the world. In it is a cluster of conical formations of white stone some of which are thirty feet in height. They are known as the "Tent Rocks" and are full of caves, both natural and artificial, which have been utilized as human habitations. That the dwellers at this point were contemporaries of those in the larger canyons is shown by the fact that the pictographs on the rocks are of the same style. At a distance these queer rocks resemble huge bee hives. Some of the residents even built porches over the doorways of their rocky homes. The usual kiva or ceremonial chamber has been unearthed in many of the ruins and it is not unlike that found in the cliff ruins of Mesa Verde Park, in Southwestern Colorado, although the cliff houses at this point were built in sides of the canyon and not formed by Nature as those of the stone tents. These cliff homes were used to house goats and sheep during the Spanish regime, and later, after the Civil War, horse thieves and outlaws held sway over the place.

But the stone tents and caves are not the only thing of interest in this section for the floor of the valley contains the ruins of a number of pueblos, especially on the Pajarito Plateau. These pueblo structures are invariably a cluster of rooms or cells. There are numerous variations of extension and arrangement. The smaller structures were but one story in height, while the larger ones were from two to four stories, although none were as large as those of Taos.

Puye Village Large.

The cliff village at Puye must have been an extensive one. The mesa is a mile and a quarter in length and nearly all of the south face is honeycombed with dwellings. A ledge midway up the cliff divides it into two parts. Dwellings are both above and below the ledge. While the most of these are still unrestored the traveler who will make the difficult climb to them will be amply repaid for his trouble, as there are many evidences of the customs of the pre-historic race.

The visitor who studies this ruin carefully will soon discover that one of these places well provisioned and with weapons of defense, would be well-nigh impregnable, and one can imagine what a splendid rendezvous such a place would be for snipers with bows and arrows.

Tshirege was the largest of the cliff villages in this section and the community house was unusually large. It has ten kivas of the circular subterranean type. The cliff villages in the sides of the rock show remarkable decoration and the pictographs, or petroglyphs as they are sometimes called, are the most serious work of their kind found in New Mexico, for while a few of them represent nothing more than idle picture-making the most of them are of a serious totemic, legendary and religious significance.

Painted Cave.

Another ruin known as the "Painted Cave," the pictographs represent some of the well-known symbols of the pueblos, such as clouds, sheet lightning, the sun dancing shields, and male and female dancers. While the execution is very crude the scientists have woven a certain legend about the paintings which show the trend of the ancient people to use certain things as symbols in their mode of living. Bits of sculpture have also been found, although some of it is said to be the work of the ancestors of the Indians who inhabit New Mexico today. It takes a stretch of imagination to make the layman believe that two rudely cut stones were made to represent stone lions or panthers, although the archaeologists are able to trace them out perfectly. This is supposed to be the emblem of a tribe of pre-historic hunters.

It is said that when these people were about to abandon their cliff homes it was customary to paint or carve a series of symbols in some secluded spot near the site of their homes, which seems to account for the curious pictographs and sculpture hidden away in the smaller canyons.

Knowledge Of Colors.

These aboriginal painters had considerable knowledge of color and handled them with good effect, especially in the decoration of their pottery. Yellow and gray were always decorated with black lines. Red ware was almost invariably decorated with black and red lines. Four shades of red were used, two shades of this color being frequently applied to the same bowl. The ornamentation of the pottery was bold and striking.

Prayer feathers are frequently discovered in the rear of the caves. Bones fashioned into tools and pieces of cloth made from yucca fibres are in all the caves of the ruins in New Mexico. Every dwelling had its metate or grinding stone, and in many of them dried corn and the seeds of the squash and gourd have been found. Water jars and urns have been found intact. That there was a certain kind of communal at the time is shown by the number of kivas even in the caves. That they knew how to conserve their water supply is proven by the number of reservoirs found in the vicinity. Year after year the archaeologists work amid these ruins of ages ago endeavoring to learn the full history of this race of men who lived in these queer stone tents in the dim and distant long ago

With the High Cost of Living Such a Potent Factor Today, Uncle Sam Suggests Fish As a Means of Economy -- The New Grayfish Introduced By the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries.

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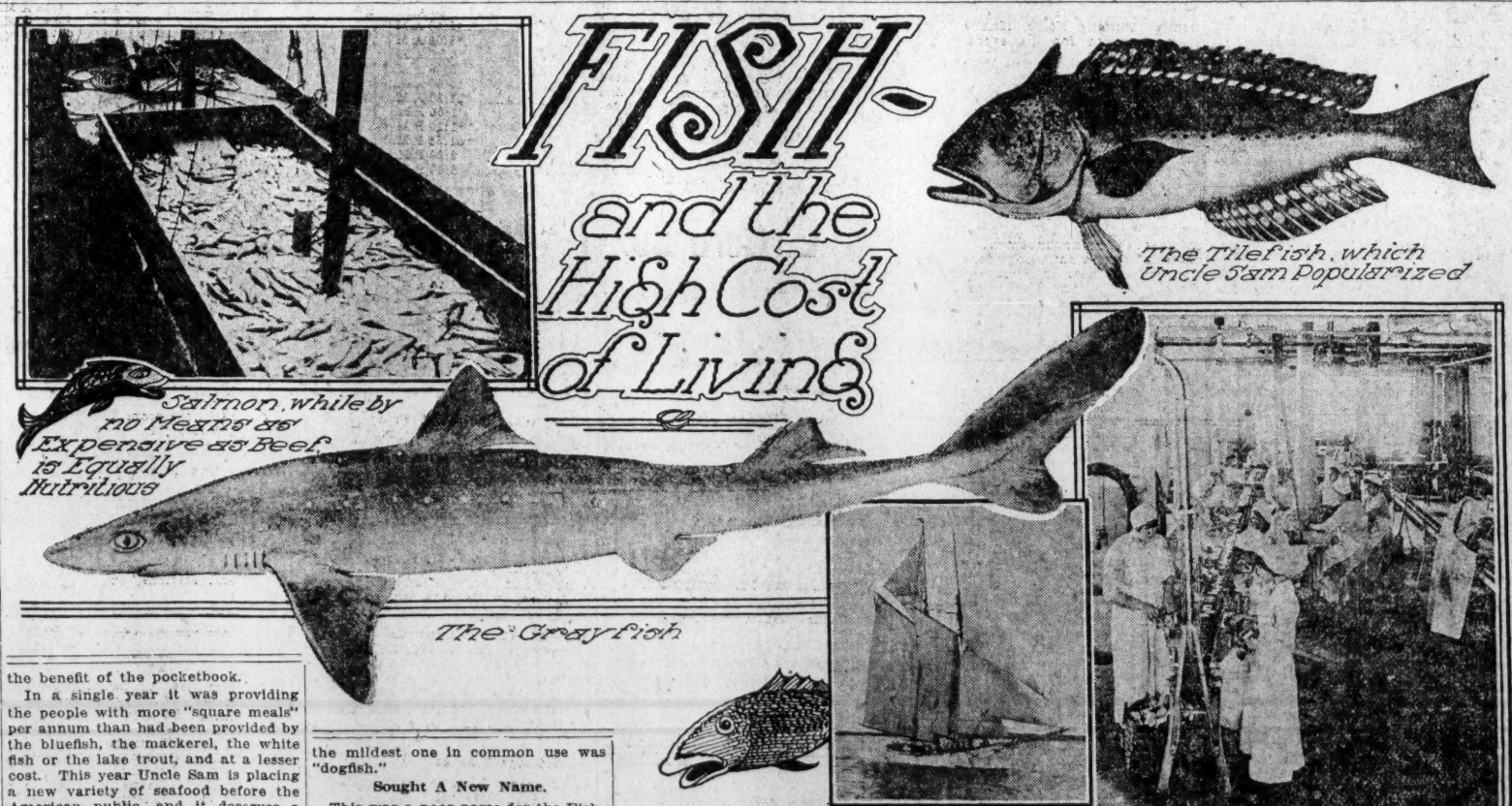
FISH-
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High Cost
of Living
Salmon, while by no Means as Expensive as Beef, is Equally Nutritious
The Tilefish, which Uncle Sam Popularized
The Grayfish
The Bureau of Fisheries Schooner "The Grampus"
Canning the Grayfish

THE less wealthy citizen of the United States must take greater stock in the fish supply of America than he has hitherto done; for in the nature of things the price of meat is rapidly leaving him with fish as one of the new food products available to supply the nitrogenous element in his menu.

If he will but look at the case in its true light, however, he will find himself better off than he thinks, for the American fish supply is well worthy of wider acquaintance, and closer study than has heretofore been given it by the average householder.

In its unexplored fish resources this country has within its own domain an unused wealth of food material which any other country in the world would consider itself most fortunate in possessing.

America Neglects Her Aquatic Wealth.

The American people have never realized the desirability of fish food from the viewpoint of either nutriment or palatability; the housewives have failed to take advantage of the varieties at hand in every section of the United States, and have not learned the best methods of cooking fish in ways to enhance its food value or its attractiveness.

Some of the best fish in the world are exported from America, and the delicious smoked salmon sandwich, universally used and enjoyed throughout Germany, is the product of our own Pacific fisheries, exported because it finds insufficient favor at home.

The United States Bureau of Fisheries is making every possible effort to educate the people of the United States to a knowledge of the wealth of food material which lives in its own waters. It is stimulating a wider use of the known varieties and introducing a number of new varieties of edible fish; which at this time should meet the approval of every householder seeking all available means of reducing table expenses.

Introduced The Tile Fish.

Two years ago the Bureau of Fisheries launched the tile fish upon the American market with complete success, and this toothsome dish is today the Friday piece de resistance on thousands of American tables to the entire gratification of the palate and the benefit of the pocketbook.

In a single year it was providing the people with more "square meals" per annum than had been provided by the bluefish, the mackerel, the white fish or the lake trout, and at a lesser cost. This year Uncle Sam is placing a new variety of seafood before the American public, and it deserves a like popularity with its predecessor.

This newcomer to our markets is the grayfish, abounding plentifully in seas adjacent to the American coasts, for centuries an edible fish on the shores of the Mediterranean, and recently brought into popular use in Northern Europe. In its introduction in this country, the Bureau of Fisheries is making it possible for the people to obtain a high grade food product at a low price.

Quality and price fix the economic character of a fish, but not until it has a name can it have a reputation, and a good one; the public will not eat it however excellent it may be. Fortunately for the fish, but unfortunately for the public, the early reputation of the grayfish was based not on its high quality as a food, but on its destructive habits.

It is a marauder like the bluefish, but its weapons are more efficient, and it not only eats and drives away other food fishes, but it also cuts the fishermen's gear to pieces with its teeth and leaves him helpless and exasperated. The American fisherman has in times past resented the intrusion of this mischievous thief of his lawful prey and, naturally also, no name has been too bad to apply, and the mildest one in common use was "dogfish."

Sought A New Name.

This was a poor name for the Fisheries Service to conjure with. It lacked an alluring sound; besides, there are several inferior fish known by the same name. For both reasons it was desirable to call it something else, and grayfish was selected as obviously appropriate. The grayfish is a trim, clean, clipper-built fish, swift in the water, as its piratical habits necessitate.

Adult grayfish weigh from five to fifteen pounds, seven pounds being common weight. They feed on fish, crabs, shrimps and even lobsters, and in exclusive animal diet are like bluefish, cod, haddock and most other of our important food fishes. But they are so ravenous in getting it that they frequently make themselves nuisances by robbing the fishermen's nets and trawl lines.

The grayfish is found on both shores of the North Atlantic and ranges south, almost or quite to the tropics, and on the high seas between. They travel in great schools, making sudden forays on the coasts, remaining for a time and then as suddenly disappearing. When they arrive on a fishing ground they take possession and are likely to either eat or drive away every other fish not too big to be swallowed.

Has Wide Market Canned.

The grayfish is excellent eaten fresh, being firm in texture, rich and generally excellent in taste, and is found by test to be thoroughly wholesome. The variety of ways in which it is served makes it a distinct addition to the country's diet. A large market for its distribution as a fresh product has been found by the Bureau of Fisheries in New York, in connection with the tile fish industry.

It is, however, as a canned and preserved product that it finds its widest market and is making its way to every part of the United States. It is also salted and dried like cod, smoked and packed in a variety of styles. The smoked fish is excelled by few products of a similar nature, and the Bureau of Fisheries hopes to see its sale in large quantities in this form.

The exportation of fresh-caught grayfish will be limited, as is the case with other fish of its kind. As a general rule the dominant fish in a market are produced comparatively near by. The catch of the North Atlantic, for example, stays almost entirely east of the Alleghenies. The Gulf and the Lakes and the Mississippi supply the interior and ship but little over the eastern range.

The Pacific coast alone sends two staple varieties of fish throughout the country, namely, halibut and salmon. These fish are sent on express schedule across the continent in carload lots, packed in fine ice, and constitute, with red snapper from the Gulf, most of the salt-water fish supply of the interior.

At present the grayfish, canned plain like the salmon, is readily obtainable, a can containing fourteen ounces of solid meat being purchasable in the market for about ten cents, making it one of the lowest priced fishery products on the market.

Now Welcome Former Enemy.

The destructiveness of the grayfish and the extent to which it has interferred with more profitable fisheries has caused the fishermen to regard it with so much prejudice and aversion that it was only by the exercise of considerable persuasion on the part of the Bureau of Fisheries that they could be induced to co-operate with the Bureau to their own advantage and catch it.

Since last fall, however, a complete change has come over the attitude of the fishermen as a result of the Government's campaign; and now they are capturing their former enemy with energy and enthusiasm, as well as viewing him in the light of a profitable asset. The catch of grayfish brought into the harbor of Gloucester, Massachusetts, in one month last fall reached 200,000 pounds.

It is expected that the utilization of the by-products of the grayfish will prove an important factor in keeping down the expense of the fish as a food product. Recent experiments have resulted in the demonstration that the eggs of the grayfish are valuable for leather dressing, and there is now a market for all produced at two cents a pound. As the preparation of the eggs requires their dilution with about 15 per cent. of water, the price will make it profitable to save them.

The oil extracted from the livers is a high grade product for which there appears to be practically an unlimited market, for it is used in the arts and is said to possess medicinal qualities not inferior to those obtained from the cod.

The skin of the grayfish looks scaleless, but when touched it is found to be as rough as emery cloth owing to the close-set, sharp little particles encrusting it. The hide is sometimes used for polishing fine metal, ivory or wooden articles, and, as a more important possibility, gives promise of producing a leather suitable for the manufacture of small "novelties." The production of gelatine from the fins and of fertilizer from the refuse is possible and it is believed will become a fact when the fishery is more fully established.

The policy of the Fisheries Service is to develop the industry gradually, a proper equilibrium being maintained between production and consumption. It feels encouraged in its hope that its production of the grayfish as an additional article of wholesome and pleasant diet for the American table will do its part toward reducing the high cost of living.

Secretary Redfield's Recommendation.

Here is what the Secretary of Commerce has to say as to the properties of the grayfish served as part of his menu:

"A day or two before leaving for a vacation last summer a number of cans of grayfish, put up in a variety of ways, were sent to my house. There was no opportunity to use them before leaving and they were put in a storage closet. Some two months later there was served on my table a delicious dish of fish. I ate heartily of it and liked it so that I asked what it was. I was told it was from one of the cans which had been put up on the closet shelf just before leaving. You see I had been eating and enjoying grayfish without knowing what it was.

"A few days later it was served on my table in a different form and this time with deliberate purpose. It proved entirely satisfactory as food, agreeable in appearance and flavor. I propose to have it again when opportunity shall offer.

"I am glad to know from the facts you have laid before me that in the above my experience coincides with that of many others.

"WILLIAM C. REDFIELD,
"Secretary."

That the Secretary's taste was not deceived in the first case by the use of spices and condiments is shown by the following simple and excellent recipe furnished by his household:

Grayfish hash.—1 can grayfish; 1 pint boiled potatoes, in small pieces; 1 teaspoonful butter; salt and pepper. Flake the fish and mix with the other ingredients. Place in a buttered frying pan and stir until thoroughly heated throughout, then leave long enough to brown on the bottom. Turn out on platter, brown side up.

MARKETS

MARINE.

Cleared.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,333 tons, Holtasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 3,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON'S MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 12.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—48c.

ROSIN—$5.60, $5.35.

TAR—$2.75-12c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00, $3.00.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $2.15-9c..; crude turpentine, $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine .....(—)

Rosin .....(—)

Tar 19

Crude Turpentine .....(—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, 70 barrels; tar, 157 barrels; crude turpentine, 2 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal; same day last year, 11¾c.

Receipts — 3 bales; same day last year, 361 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,075 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 146,095 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

February 12, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—3 bales cotton; 19 barrels tar.

Total—3 bales cotton; 19 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 12.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 70c to 80c bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 23c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 12.—North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 12.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market steady, $1.45 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4¼c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling Stock, 3 to 3¾c per lb.

At 12 O'clock Today.

the W. N. Royall place, at Third and Chestnut, will be sold at auction. Your chance to buy at bargain figures. United Realty Co.—(Adv.)

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 13, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 30 degrees; at 8 P. M., 31 degrees; maximum, 36 degrees; minimum, 28 degrees; mean, 32 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .01 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .28 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 7.8 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair with slowly rising temperature Tuesday; Wednesday fair, warmer.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 13, 1917.

Sun rises .....6:59 A. M.

Sun sets.....5:54 P. M.

Day's length .....10 hrs. 55 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	1:58	2:04	9:25	8:33
Southport	11:34	11:57	6:01	6:09
Masonboro Inl	11:23	11:46	5:41	5:49

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 13, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	58	36	.0
Asheville	clear	30	14	.0
Atlanta	clear	46	22	.0
Augusta	clear	44	36	.04
Baltimore	clear	18	—	.0
Birmingh	clear	44	22	.0
Boston	clear	12	0	.0
Charleston	clear	42	36	.0
Charlotte	clear	36	22	.0
Chicago	clear	16	—4	.0
Galveston	clear	50	42	.68
Jacksonv.	cldy	50	48	.0
Memphis	clear	36	18	.0
Mobile	clear	50	34	.94
Montgom'y	clear	48	28	.24
New Orl.	clear	52	38	.70
New York	clear	14	2	.0
Oklahoma	cldy	48	20	.0
Palestine	clear	42	34	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	04	—4	.0
Raleigh	clear	32	20	.0
Savannah	clear	44	44	.0
Shreveport	clear	48	26	.0
St. Louis	clear	28	10	.0
Washing'n	clear	18	10	.0

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 12. — Hogs—Steady. Bulk, 12.30@12.50; light, 11.75@12.40; mixed, 12.20@12.50; heavy, 12.05@12.55; rough, 12.05@12.20; pigs, 9.75@11.10.

Cattle—Weak. Natives, 7.75@12.15; western steers, 7.85@10.25; stockers and feeders, 6.10@9.10; cows and heifers, 5.10@10.40; calves, 10.00@14.50.

Sheep — Strong. Wethers, 10.75@12.00; ewes, 8.00@11.25; lambs, 11.25@14.75.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 12.—Beeves—Strong. Steers, 7.75@11.25; bulls, 6.25@9.25.

Calves—Strong. Veals, 11.50@16.50; culls, 9.00@9.50; barn yard calves, 6.50@7.50; yearlings, 5.50@6.30; Indiana calves, 7.50@9.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Firm. Sheep, 7.00@11.00; culls, 5.50@6.50; lambs, 14.00@15.50.

Hogs—No trading.

EXCHANGES TAKE HOLIDAY.

Yesterday being the birthday anniversary of Abraham Lincoln, a legal holiday in some states, the New York and New Orleans cotton exchanges and the New York stock exchange, along with some other exchanges, were not open for business; hence the omission of some of The Star's usual market reports this morning.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 12. — Turpentine, firm, 49; sales, 71; receipts, 50; shipments, 201; stock, 15,537.

Rosin — Firm. Sales, 129; receipts, 407; shipments, 44; stock, 79,004. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 6.05; H, I, K, M, 6.30; N, 6.40; W G, 6.60; W W, 6.80.

DOING DOUBLE DUTY

Buildings in Many of the Border Camps Have Become Community Centers.

(Y. M. C. A. Border Work)

"The Young Men's Christian Association on the border" writes a secretary, "is doing double duty. It is extending its activities to a point far beyond that for which it set out. It has gone the second mile. Originally, the Association organized its border work to serve the men in the various regiments—a purpose which has certainly been attained.

"But besides this splendid accomplishment, the Association buildings tary "is doing double duty. It is extending its activities to a point far beyond that for which it set out. It has gone second mile. Originally, Associahave become community centers. The people of one town at least, McAllen, are using them as such. When men like Cadman, Merle—Smith and others are announced to speak, reservation of six or eight rows of seats must be made in order to accommodate the townspeople.

"Local pulpits announce occasionally: There will be no service here tonight on account of a service in the Young Men's Christian Association building and all are urged to attend." Pastor and people flock to the Association building and are given a royal welcome by the secretaries and men.

"Such work as this cannot fail to make a name for the Association among people who hitherto had not been acquainted with the far-reaching activities of the Young Men's Christian Association."

SEES A PHTHISIS INVASION

An Expert Says Tuberculosis Is Increasing at Great Rate in Europe

(From an Exchange)

The United States is in danger of an invasion from Europe that is nearly as serious as an armed invasion, according to Dr. Alfred Meyer, of New York, one of the world's most widely known specialists in tuberculosis research work. Doctor Meyer stated a few wdays ago that tuberculosis has increased from 100 to 300 per cent in nearly all of the warring European countries.

"Thousands of soldiers in France, made tubercular by the war's privations, are slowly dying at home," Dr. Meyer said. "In Germany, I am told, tuberculosis has increased 300 per cent and in Belgium the prevalence of tuberculosis glands in children has increased from five to ten times."

Dr. Meyer has been investigating the increase of tuberculosis victims seeking admission to the United States and announces that ten times as many came in 1916 as in 1914.

STAR FOOTBALL EVENT.

New York Cavalry Team, Which Played Texas 11, Developed by Association.

(Y. M. C. A. Border Work.)

What is regarded as the greatest football event of the Southwest was played at San Antonio on January 20th by the New York Cavalry and the Second Texas Infantry football teams. The New York Cavalry team was accompanied to San Antonio from McAllen, Tex., by 1,200 men, practically the entire regiment, besides other troops, traveling in special trains. The Texas Infantry team has been training at Corpus Christi, Texas, where their regiment is stationed.

The New York team is made up of old college stars, several of them having made all-American teams, and is a development of the athletic work of the Army Young Men's Christian Association at building No. 3, McAllen. The team practiced for the event on the athletic field of the Young Men's Christian Association in the McAllen camp.

BUDAPEST TO HAVE LONG COURT PERIOD EACH YEAR

Budapest, Hungary, Feb. 4.—After the war Budapest is to have what it has not had in many a decade, a regular and extended court period each year. Count Tisza has explained to a committee of parliament that the new kaiser, who is King Karl IV. of Hungary, authorizes the announcement that he plans to spend a not inconsiderable portion of each year in Budapest and in Hungary. The king also plans to have his oldest son, the crown prince, educated in part in Hungary.

Reward

A reward of Twenty-Five Dollars will be paid to the person or persons furnishing evidence sufficient to convict any one who wilfully, carelessly or negligently, throws glass, tacks or nails on any of the highways of New Hanover County.

By order of the Board of Commissioners.

W. A. McGIRT

Chairman.

USING CONVICTS ON ROADS

Colorado Makes Large Saving To Taxpayers by This Method

(From the Denver Times)

Highway construction by convict labor made a saving of $456,000 to the taxpayers of the State during the last two years, according to Warden Thomas Tyman of the State Penitentiary.

The saving is based on the value of the highways constructed during that period, the $456,000 being the difference between the actual value of the work done and the 33 1-3 cents per day which the counties paid toward the keep of each prisoner employed on the roads in these counties.

Some of the most picturesque highways in the State were constructed with the aid of convict labor during the biennial period. The roads included work in the canon of the Grand river near Glenwood Springs, and in the canon of the Cache la Poudre river, west of Fort Collins. Weld, Larimer, Boulder, Pueblo, Garfield and Fremont counties were the principal beneficiaries from convict road work.

A total of 1,085 prisoners were employed in the highway construction during the two years the daily average being 207 men. All were "honor" men, granted the privelege of working away from the prison because of the good deportment. One thousand five hundred and seventy-nine prisoners were handled in the penitentary during the biennial term. The loss due to escapes was about 2 per cent.

The maintenance cost of the penitentiary was approximately $260,000, while the legislative appropriation for the period was only $200,000. Warden Tynan has recommended the establishment of an eight-hour day for employes of the penitentiary in place of the present 12 hour day. The proposed change will be placed before the legislature next month fo rits consideration.

Wake Forest to Play Davidson.

Wake Forest, N. C., Feb. 12.—After a lapse of one season without their annual football game, Wake Forest and Davidson will clash again on the gridiron in 1917. The game has been scheduled to be played on Davidson's home field, but Manager Gladney is now writing in an endeavor to have the game played in Raleigh on November 17th.

New Kid Gloves Today.

C. H. Fore & Company.—(Adv.)

Dividend Notice

Davenport, Ia., February 6, 1917.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Mid-Continent Consolidated Oil & Utilities Corporation, held this day, a dividend of 10c per share was declared on all "A" stock of this corporation outstanding, payable on February 28, 1917, to stockholders of record February 15, 1917. A. S. Nelson, Secretary.

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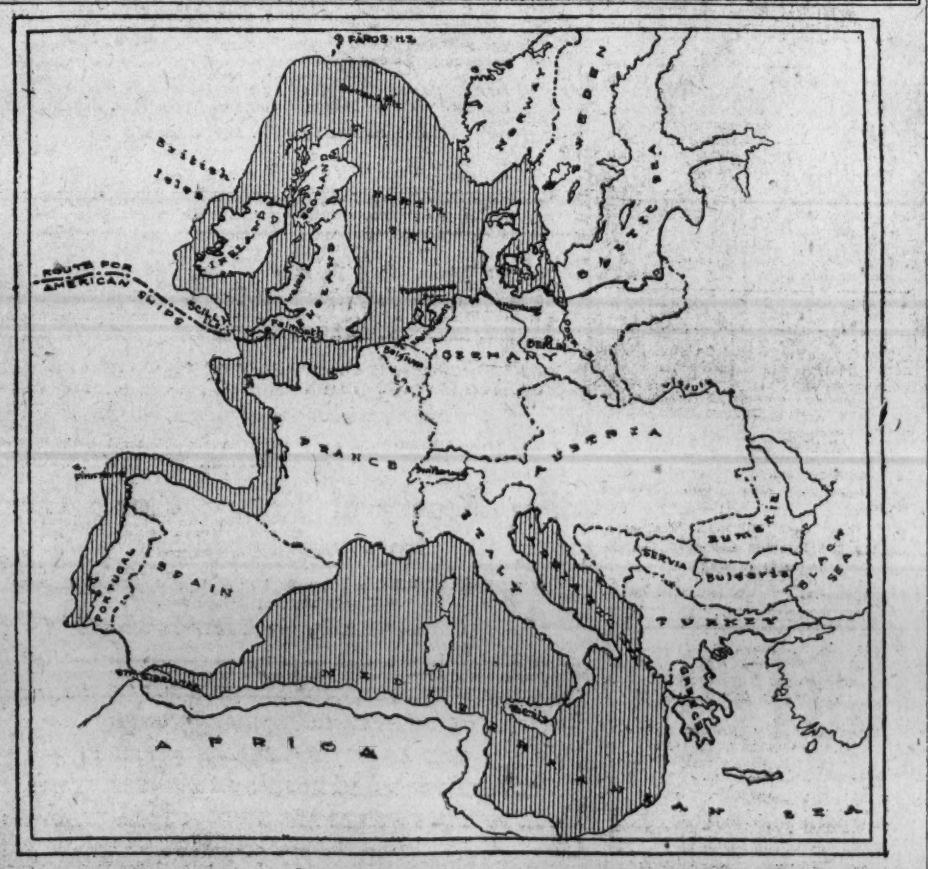

In the accompanying map an effort is made to show in the shaded areas those European waters from which neutral ships are to be barred by Germany except at their own risk. The dotted line shows the route along which Germany is willing to permit one American ship to enter and leave Falmouth each week. The shaded area is that from which Allied hospital ships are barred in travel between England and France. It will be seen that this covers the entire English Channel.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective Feb. 5th, 1917. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 8:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No. 58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

T. C. WHITE, Passenger Traffic Manager. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	WESTBOUND: Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	WESTBOUND: Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
!6:30 A.M.	!6:30 A.M.	x!6:30 A.M.	z!7:05 A.M.	!7:15 A.M.	!7:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
!8:30 A.M.	!8:30 A.M.	x!8:30 A.M.	z!9:05 A.M.	!9:15 A.M.	!9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	!10:20 A.M.	!10:31 A.M.
!1:00 P.M.	!1:00 P.M.	!1:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
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3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o3:00 P.M.	o3:11 P.M.
o4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o3:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
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5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o5:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
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.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

SPECIAL FOR SUNDAYS

Leave Front and Princess streets every half hour from 2 to 5 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 o 5:45 P. M.

*—Daily except Sunday.
!—Sundays only.
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z—Leaves from Station No. 3.
o—Superceded by half hour schedule Sunday afternoon.

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6:15 A.M. Ar.	Goldsboro	Lv.	10:25 P.M.
6:45 A.M. Lv.	Goldsboro	Ar.	9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar.	Selma	Lv.	8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:25 P.M.

Sleepers will be open to receive passengers after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, southbound, until 7:00 A. M.

For reservations and further information

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S. S. Cherokee....Friday, February 9th

S. S. Cherokee..Tuesday, February 20

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S. S. Cherokee, Tuesday, February 13

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DEPARTURE OF TRAINS FROM WILMINGTON

No 13.—3:55 P. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR, WILMINGTON TO CHARLOTTE.

No 19—5:00 A. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE. Open at 10:00 P. M. for Passengers.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14—12:30 P. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON.

No. 20—12:10 A. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON. PASSENGERS MAY REMAIN IN SLEEPER UNTIL 7:00 A. M.

For detailed information and reservations, call on City Ticket Agent, Orton Building, 'Phone 178.

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$13.95—Atlanta, Ga.

Account Southeastern Land Show and the National Association of Builders Exchanges of the U. S. Tickets will be sold Jan. 31 and Feb. 3, 10, 11 and 14, limited returning until Feb. 20, but may be extended to March 6th by depositing and paying $1.00.

$23.45—Pensacola, Fla.

$24.56—Mobile, Ala.

$28.75—New Orleans, La.

Account Mardi Gras Celebration. Tickets will be sold Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning until March 2nd, but may be extended until March 10th by depositing and paying $1.00.

Proportionate Fares from Other Points on the ATANTIC COAST LINE, "The Standard Railroad of the South." 'Phone 160.

SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

The Progressive Railroad of the South.

Bulletin of Special Round-Trip Rates from Wilmington, N. C.

ATLANTA, GA. $13.93
On sale June 15, 16, 17; limited returning Midnight June 25th. Stop-over any point.

WASHINGTON, D. C. $18.36
On sale April 10 to 15th inclusive; limited returning midnight April 30th.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale May 11 to 16th, inclusive; limited returning midnight, limit extended to June 15th on payment $1.00.

WASHINGTON, D. C. $8.90
On sale June 2 to 7th, inclusive; limited returning midnight June 21st; limit extended to July 6th on payment 50c.

LEXINGTON, KY. $21.85
On sale February 18, 19, 20; limited returning midnight February 25th.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale March 11, 12, 13; limited returning midnight March 21st.

WASHINGTON, D. C. $13.20
On sale March 1, 2, 3, 4, limited returning midnight March 10th; limit extended to April 10th on payment $1.00.

ATLANTA, GA $13.95
On sale January 31, Feb. 3, 10, 11, 12 and 14th, limited returning midnight February 20th.

MOBILE, ALA $24.55
On sale Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning midnight, March 2nd, limit extended to March 19th, on payment of $1.00.

PENSACOLA, FLA $23.45
On sale Feb. 12 to 19, inclusive, limited returning midnight, March 2nd; limit extended to March 19th, on payment $1.00.

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For further information, apply 'Phone 178.—

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TROOPS CONCENTRATED ON HOLLAND FRONTIER

Five Corps of German Soldiers Present at Time of "Crisis."

Fact Pointed Out as One Reason Why Holland Was Not so Ready to Break Diplomatic Relations With Germany as Suggested

Copenhagen, Feb. 12. (via London.)—Five German army corps concentrated on the Holland frontier furnish a fairly convincing explanation, in default of other reasons, for the failure of the Dutch government to adopt the policy towards Germany recommended by President Wilson, on account of the German submarine campaign.

That German troops were assembling in fairly large numbers in the vicinity of the Holland border had been the subject of gossip in Berlin military circles for several weeks before Dr. von Bethmann-Hollwag announcement of the new submarine campaign. Their presence there at a time when Germany was talking of peace instead of a policy that would weigh most heavily upon neutral interests then was usually explained as a precautionary measure, or even merely characterized as part of a plan for the distribution of strategic reserves for the spring campaign. Some doubt was raised concerning the latter explanation.

Whatever the cause of the concentration, a large force of German troops was on the Holland border when Germany's inauguration of submarine war and President Wilson's appeal to neutral nations to join with America in protecting neutral interests against Germany brought to the foreground the question of Holland's possible action in reply to the German campaign. Their bayonets emphorized the economic and political reasons why Holland is unwilling to follow counsel which it was feared might have drawn the little kindgom into the great European war.

DEATH AT MAXTON

Mr. Jobie Weatherly Passes Away Following Long Illness.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Maxton, N. C., Feb. 12.—After an illness extending over six months, Mr. Jobie Weatherly passed away at his home here this afternoon at six o'clock. He had been in bad health for some years, following an attack of typhoid contracted while traveling five or six years ago. He was the second son of the late J. B. Weatherly, one of the oldest business men of the community at the time of his death here six years ago.

He is survived mother, one sister, Mrs. D. C. McIver, now living in Oxford, N. C., and two brothers, Mr. Ernest Weatherly, of Hopewell, Va., and Emil Weatherly, of this place. He was 28 years old and unmarried. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

VILLA TROOPS CAMP WITHIN CANNON RANGE OF U. S. SOIL

Columbus, N. M., Feb. 12. — Villa troops camped tonight within cannon range of American territory, their camp fires at Palomas, six miles south of the border, being visible to American soldiers patrolling the international line below here. Cowboys reported there were 30 armed and mounted men in the band. When American military officers learned of the presence of the bandits near the border, cavalry was sent to reinforce the patrol, with orders to be unusually vigilant.

72 AMERICAN SAILORS ARE HELD BY THE GERMANS

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State Department today in a telegram from Ambassador Page, in London. The news was received here with profound regret. Officials refused to comment.

GERMANY'S OFFER TO DISCUSS DIFFERENCES IS FLATLY REJECTED

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The State Department has recommended that the guns be provided.

There is said to be no authority under which the Navy Department can actually supply the guns, though there are precedents for the loaning of weapons under bond for their return. Under existing law only condemned guns and stores can be sold by the navy.

AMBRICA FIRST IN ADVERTISING

No Other Line Has Made Such Progress, Expert Says.

(Toledo Blade).

"There has been a greater development in advertising than in any other phase of American commercial life in ten years."

So declared Samuel C. Dobbs, former president of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, in an address before the Toledo organization recently.

"Knowing Your Job" was the subject of the address. In it Mr. Dobbs emphasized the importance of a man's spending morning, noon and night in learning every detail of his work. In no other way can he succeed," Mr. Dobbs said.

"Advertising in this country is ahead of that in any other part of the world," the speaker assested. "Advertising is the great vehicle of efficiency. It is by means of advertising that the manufacturer in Toledo can present his goods to the man in Texas, and sell them."

As an indication of the great development in advertising in this country, Mr. Dobbs said that a decade ago there was no such organization as the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World. Now it has 13,000 members in this country.

"Ten years ago a man who suggested teaching advertising in colleges and universities would have been called crazy," he said. "Today this subject is taught in 54 American colleges."

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WANTS HIGHER POSTAGE RATES ON NEWSPAPERS

Senator Bryan Considers Present Rate "Enormous Subsidy."

Senate Spends Several Hours Debating Provision of Postoffice Appropriation Bill Without Reaching a Vote.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Several hours of debate today on the provision in the Postoffice appropriation bill to increase the rates on second class mail, including newspapers and magazines, and to reduce to one cent the rate on drop letters, failed to bring the Senate to a vote on the motion of Senator Bryan to suspend the rule against legislation in an appropriation bill.

Senator Bryan, for the Postoffice committee, in advocating the amendment, said it costs the government about $100,000,000 a year to haul second class matter, and that it receives for the service about $11,000,000. He said the increase would mean only about $5,000,000 next year in added revenue from the newspapers and magazines and insisted it was unfair that the government continue to give what he called an "enormous subsidy" to the newspapers and magazines and not reduce the cost of letter postage which now furnishes afout three-fourths of the postal revenues.

Senator Hoke Smith declared his information showed that it did not cost the government much if any more than one cent per pound to carry newspapers, and that the cost of delivery and handling at the point of origin is practically nothing compared with the cost of similar service for magazines.

TO DEVELOP ZEPPELIN TYPE AIRCRAFT FOR ARMY AND NAVY

American Government as Promised Co-Operation of Manufacturers.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Promises of co-operation with the government in its efforts to develop satisfactory Zep? pelin type aircraft for the army and navy were made by leading American aeroplane and rubber manufacturers at a conference here today with Rear Admiral Taylor, chief of construction of the navy and head of the joint army-navy board investigating the dirigible problem. A preliminary survey of the materials and plants available was begun, and the manufacturers expressed belief that big aircraft similar to the German machines could be turned out. No definite plans were made, however.

SAYS "NO GERMAN SUBMARINE EVER FIRED AT LIFEBOATS."

Overseas News Agency Promises Report on Sinking of the Eavestone.

Berlin, Feb. 12, (via Sayville)—Reports from British sources that the lifeboats of the British steamer Eavestone were fired upon by a German submarine are mentioned in an Overseas News Agency announcement today, which adds:

"As soon as the submarine reports, all the details regarding the question of the Eavestone will be given out. Meanwhile it is reiterated that no German submarine ever fired at lifeboats nor will one do so in future."

URGES "NATIONAL BURGLAR ALARM AROUND THE COUNTRY"

Development of Aerial Coast Patrol Advocated by Peary

New York, Feb. 12.—Immediate development of the aerial coast patrol as a "National burglar alarm around the country" would be the most effective arm of defense in the event of war, in the opinion of Rear-Admiral Peary, chairman of the National coast patrol commission, who spoke on the subject tonight at the Pan-American aeronautics exposition in this city.

DEATH VALLEY IS HOT PLACE

Thermometer There Has Climbed to 134 Degrees

(Los Angeles Times).

Greenland ranch in Death Valley holds the palm for registered heat, according to an official announcement. On July 19, 1913, the thermometer at this ranch capped the climax in possibilities by climbing to 134 degrees Fahrenheit, No figure approaching it has ever been known, according to Meteorologist Carpenter, of the United States Weather Bureau.

The next highest registration was that of Ouargla, Algeria, which is situated on the edge of the Sahara Desert. This station registered 137 degrees August 27, 1884. During this same hot spell the thermometer at the Greeland ranch in Death Valley was unofficially reported to have registered the following oints: August 8, 128; August 9, 129; August 10, 134; August 11, 129; August 12, 130; August 13, 131, and August 14, 129, which records, if official, would have surpassed anything ever recorded on the known globe.

The highest previous record in California was at Mammoth Tank, August 17, 1885, when the temperature climbed to 127 in the shade. The 134 record was also a shade record. It was taken from a thermometer installed on a standard screen, placed above an alfalfa sod, four feet above the ground. This shelter was not exposed to the reflected heat of the desert. This point is 178 feet below the sea level.

Any attempt to give the actual heat of the open desert places of Death Valley has so far as known not been made, according to Mr. Carpenter. There was a record, entirely unofficial, made at a point about 16 miles north of the Greenland ranch in August of 1907, and this thermomter showed 136 as near as could be determined.

SOUTH CAROLINA TROOPS ARE EN ROUTE HOME FROM BORDER

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 12.—Troop A., South Carolina cavalry; Company A., engineers, and South Carolina field hospital are en route home from El Paso, Texas, to be mustered out, it was announced today. Tennessee field hospital and ambulance company also left El Paso yesterday and the Second Virginia infantry started from Brownsville for Richmond.

Columbus, N. M., Feb. 12.—In order to obtain further information regarding Villa followers at Palomas, a fleet of airplanes with observers from the First Aero Squad, stationed here, will take the air at daybreak tomorrow and skirt the border, it was announced tonight.

SIMMONS' COMMITTEE O. K'S. REVENUE BILL

Will be Reported as Amended by Democratic Caucus.

Amendment Reducing Oleomargerine Tax Will Bring Big Fight on the Floor of Senate—Excess Profits Tax Retained.

Washington, Feb. 12.—Final approval of the administration revenue bill as amended by the Democratic caucus was voted today by the Senate Finance committee and Chairman Simmons was authorized to report the measure and urge its passage as soon as possible.

There will be a big fight on the floor of the Senate over the amendment reducing the oleomargarine tax from 12 to 10 cents a pound. Many Democratic senators oppose it, and were not bound by caucus action to support the proposal.

The 8 per cent net profits tax, increased inheritance taxes, munitions excises and proposed $100,000,000 bond issue of the House bill all are retained in the bill as it goes to the Senate, the whole calculated to raise approximately $350,000,000. The net profits tax is limited to run until July 1, 1921, and the munitions taxes would expire six months instead of a year after termination of the European war.

An amendment to the language of the excess profits tax to clarify just what would constitute capital involved, reads as follows:

"That for the purpose of this title, actual capital investee means (1) actual cash paid; (2) actual cash value of assets other than cash at the time such assets were transferred to the corporation or partnership, and (3) paid in or earned surplus and undivided profits used or employed in the business; but does not include money or other property borrowed by the corporation or partnership, whether evidenced by bonds or otherwise."

The Cause of Gout, Bright's Disease Rheumatism.

(By VALENTINE M. PIERCE, M. D.)

According to the concensus of opinion of most medical men and scientists, such as Garrod, Minkowski, Hans, Vogt and Reach, the cause of gout is due to an accumulation of uric acid in the blood. The same effect happens in rheumatism, and preceding the stage known as Bright's disease an auto-intoxication process has been going on, the liver and kidneys could not do the work and the individual suffers the consequences. High living, the eating of meat more than once a day, over-eating, frequent chilling of the body—all may contribute to the poisoning.

In such cases the very best treatment is to prevent or remove the cause. Diet and exercise if possible; drink plentifully of water—a pint of hot water with a piece of lemon squeezed into it morning and night, and take before meals a tablet of Anuric (double strength). This Anuric can be obtained at almost all drug stores and it drives the uric acid out of the system by stimulating the kidneys to better action. Thus many cases of gout, of rheumatism or Bright's disease may be prevented or cured by taking this simple remedy in time, and in the painful and serious cases of Rheumatism and gout it invariably relieves and often cures the worst cases.

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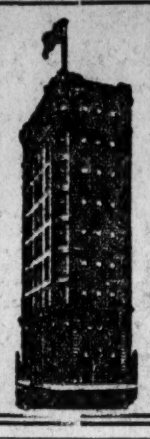

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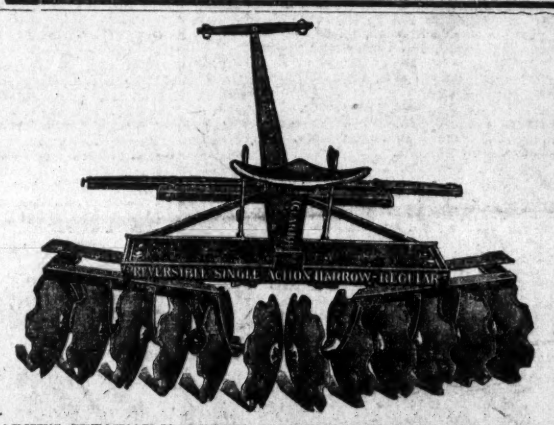

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